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Kuwait's readiness to go

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refusal to enter direct

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It is the safety of three members of the Emirate's

ruling al-Sabah family -two sisters and their

brother - rather than that

of other passengers which

principally concerns the Kuwaitis.

But should they accept the hijackers' demands to release

prisoners held in Kuwait,

then freedom could be closer

for at least two American nostages in Beirut as well as

for Mr Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's

special envoy who was kid-

Reserves

at record

\$47 billion

By David Smith

Britain's official reserves rose

strongly last month as the

Bank of England intervened

heavily to hold down sterling.

decision was taken, at the behest of the Prime Minister,

to "uncap" sterling and allow.

it to rise against the mark.

The reserves rose by \$2.2 billion (£1.2 billion) in the

period March 2-4, as the Bank

struggled to hold sterling be-

low DM3. Had the ceiling ou

the pound been kept in place,

it would have required an un-

Even so, the value of the

reserves on March 31, \$47.52

billion (£25.22 billion) was

nearly 21/2 times the level at

the beginning of last year, and

The Bank intervened mod-

estly yesterday to restrain the

pound, and was successful in

taking the steam out of its rise.

But officials have emphasized

that there will be no pro-

longed, large-scale interven-

Kleinwort Benson Lonsdale,

the merchant banking group, saw profits drop £14.5 million

last year, despite coming through the October crash

Job cowbovs

Corner-cutting employers seeking staff are encouraging

cowboy recruitment methods,

says an introduction to to-

day's seven pages of

Appointments..... Pages 29-35

Masters meet

Severiano Ballesteros, twice a

former winner, is the favourite

for the 52nd US Masters golf

tournament starting today at

Augusta, Georgia....... Page 38

The Arsenal manager, George

Graham, has been charged

with bringing the game into disrepute by the FA following.

an incident at the end of last

week's match against Oxford

FA charge

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Profit drop

easily the largest on record.

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The figures show why the

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Islamic Jihad.

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THE ENDORTHMES WAS TO THE

in - but Mrs Chelley rejected that idea too. "It would tie us down too much".

Having recently survived several weeks without a cooker while her kitchen was

refitted, Mrs Chelley looked forward to the possibility of

have chips for the children, though". And she thought she might treat herself to some new clothes and

expensive shoes. Formerly in advertising, Mrs

returning to work now that

her children are in school, but that idea was abandoned

yesterday.
"Things will have changed so much in the past 10 or 11

having the children's school fees secure for several years

As for the GTi, Mrs Chelley thinks she should have one,

Chelley had thought of

years that I do not know where I would fit in. But

will be a real advantage

even though she cannot drive. The prize money,

property invested with the help of a family friend, will

pay for driving lessons too.
"At this rate", Mrs Chelley said, "the money will all be

spent by Saturday, but just

Mrs Chelley: Fortune after

eight recounts.

now I am going to jump up

● Yesterday's £4,000 daily

She works as secretary to

the managing director of Canberra Cruises, but she

has not decided whether to

spend part of the £4,000 on a holiday. "I am just too stunned to

make any decision yet," she said. "There is always

home, we are in the middla of having our roof repaired after

something needed in the

Cennedy, of Crayford, Kent.

and down outside.

Wherever we go will have to

eating out more often.

- Portfolio Accumulator

£152,000 won by

London woman

for the children, a holiday in Portugal, an architect to design the new conservatory, a week on a health farm and

a crash course to give up

Chelley of Barnes has thought of buying with the £152,000 jackpot she has

The Times Portfolio Accumulator prize.

smoking - these are some of the things Mrs Jennifer

scooped as the first winner of

Yesterday Mrs Chelley breakfasted on orange juice and a piece of toast before

checking her Portfolio card. Today she could treat herself

to virtiage champagne and caviare if she wished — because at the eighth recount she satisfied herself that her

she satisfied her set that her card'a share numbers showed a total increase of 45 points, one more than the target of 44 set for

yesterday's daily prize.
At 10.30am sha became the first successful claimant for the Accumulator prize which has been swelling in value since it was introduced on February 1

February 1.
"The lady who took the call

was more excited than I was, but now I am getting a dry throat and butterfiles in my

stomach", Mrs Chelley said. She has been playing Portiolio since the game started in 1984, and she has

never come close to winning

a prize before. Her husband

Mr George Chelley, who runs his own business as a paper

importer, took his wifa's good fortune philosophically yesterday. "I am not making

any suggestions about what we should do with it", he

said, "because I do not think there will be much left when

she has done all the things she has thought of herselt." Mrs Chelley, who lives in a comfortable Edwardian terraced house near

Hammersmith Bridge, had

planned to spend yesterday making cups of tea for the

making cups of leaf to the workman retiling her kitchen and taking her daughter, Abigail, to the dentist. Instead she had a tense wait

until the Portfolio claim lines

closed at 3.30 to be certain

herself. Abigail, aged 11, was taken to the dentist by her

grandmother, having first filed an earnest request to

have her own telephone line installed in her bedroom.

"I don't know about that. It

sounds rather silly", the newly-rich Mrs Chelley said.

Box 40, Blackburn, BB1 6AJ

that she had the prize to

Freedom hopes for Terry Waite linked to Gulf hijack

hostages in Lebanon — Mr Terry Anderson, an American journalist, and Mr Thomas

Sutherland, an academic at

the American University in

Beirut, both captured in 1985

- and their release has always been conditional on freedom

Mr Waite disappeared in

January of last year while himself trying to negotiate with Islamic Jihad for the

freeing of the two Americans.

He had tried vainly for more

than t2 months to persuade the Kuwaitis at least to reduce

the sentences of the 17 pris-

oners, but was told brusquely

at the time that he need not even bother to apply for a visa

The authorities there, how-

ever, appear to be showing a

quite different sense of

perspective now that mem-ters of the royal family are under threat of death. The

hijackers said yesterday morn-ing that the three al-Sabahs

were in "imminent danger" if

Much now depends on the

importance of the three within

the royal family. There are around 1,200 al-Sabahs in

Kuwait, and it was being said

there yesterday that all were

lowly members of the hierar-

chy, perhaps distant cousins of the Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, They are

listed on the passenger mani-fest as Khaled Fadel al-Sabah

and two sisters, Ebtessam and

Anware. All three were travel-

ling in the plane's first-class

In public, at least, the

Kuwaitis remained firm yes-

terday in their apparent re-

fusal to yield to blackmail, a stand forcefully supported by the largely-gagged Kuwaiti

But while in the West the possible sacrifice of family

members for such a principle

might be regarded as a sign of

necessarily be the case in the

Arab world. If any of the three

al-Sabahs should die, the

Emir's steadfastness would

more likely to be judged by his

people as indifference rather

At Mashhad, the Kuwaiti

jet was yesterday moved to a corner of the airfield, a

development that might in-

dicate a more lengthy ordeal

for the 87 passengers and crew

At one point in the day, the

gunmen - who now appear to

number at least six and pos-

sibly eight - asked for a doctor

to be sent to the plane. He

later returned from the aircraft

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Kuwait holds key to fate of Iran hostages

From Robert Fisk, Bahrain

The fate of the 12 British napped in Lebenon more than a year ago.

A team of Kuwaiti Foreign Ministry officials arrived at the Iranian provincial airport in Mashhad during the afternoon for what the Iranians described as "direct talks" with the hijackers over the 17 prisoners who were jailed for bombing the US and French Embassies in Kuwait in 1983.

The Kuwaitis explained the presence of their delegation as being "at the request of Iran", and said in a diplomaticallyworded statement that their

Speculation grew in Paris yesterday that M Jean-Charles Marchiani, the former intelligence agent who played a key role in a French hostage exchange in November, was back from a new mission in Syria with firm proposals for the release of the last three French hostages

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officials would "facilitate the task of the Iranian authorities in ensuring the release of the

Earlier in the day, the franians themselves secured the freedom of most of the female passengers on the aircraft, including the 10 British women who were travelling from Bangkok to Kuwait when the jet was hijacked on Tuesday.

They could be seen on Iranian television during the merning being led from the blue and white Boeing 747 in black headscarves, a con-cession to Iran's fundamentalist rules. The women were later said to be in good health after being installed in a Mashhad hotel.

in London, Mrs Thatcher told reporters before her twoday trip to Turkey that Kuwait was doing everything possible and said: Their view on hijackings and on threats is the same as ours - we do not give in to blackmail because it only leads to further tragedies.

"That does not mean that you don't negotiate," she added. "People will be talking to them very carefully and very closely."

For three years, the Ku-waitis have adamantly refused to negotiate with the Islamic lihad movement in Lebanon, which has made the very same demands as the hijackers on the Kuwaiti jet.

It is Islamic Jihad which holds the two longest-held

Standing firm: Mrs Thatcher in Downing Street yesterday emphasizing that there will be no deal with the hijackers. She later left on a two-day visit to Turkey.

BBC chief's blueprint for better journalism

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

A blueprint for reversing the declining standards of British journalism, including independent ombudsmen for the main newspapers and broadcasting organizations, was outlined last night by Mr John Birt, Deputy Director-General of the BBC.

He said that unless the media moved swiftly to put its house in order, Parliament and the courts would step in with legal restrictions to im-

ism would not win the argument for a freer flow of

Mr Birt, who was delivering the Royal Television Society's Fleming memorial lecture entitled Decent Media, said British journalism was not in a healthy condition and standards had slipped.

Tabloid newspapers were singled out for the strongest criticism. They regularly con-tained stories which invaded

New plea

for Tube

documents

By Rodney Cowton

and Tony Dawe

London Regional Transport is

being asked to change its mind

after refusing to supply vital documents to the King's Cross

The company, severely

criticized at the inquiry yes-terday over safety standards

was asked for copies of board

Mr Roger Henderson, QC briefed by the Treasury Solici-

tor, said that almost no docu-

mentary evidence of the

safety had been supplied.

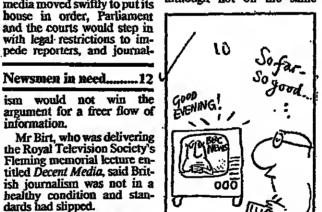
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the privacy of individuals for no reason of public interest; they showed insufficient concern for standards of good taste and occasionally in-dulged in "outright inven-tion."

Broadcasters had also displayed lapses of standards, although not on the same



scale, and there were worrying signs of a drift in standards among broadsheet newspapers which sometimes displayed too little care for the

Although impartiality and a sense of fair play could be found in the Press, the sound of grinding axes, from propri-etors, editors and individual correspondents" had become increasingly common.

is room for improvement, standards and of the code of ethics which underpin British

British journalists are not popular," he said.

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Andrew, aged six, wanted another holiday in Portugal like the one the family had creasingly common. "In broadcast and print, but their mother could now buy the villa they had stayed the storm, but I suppose a holiday would be nice." How to spend £152,000, page 21 tabloid and broadsheet there WIN £10,000

iournalism. "It is no surprise to find evidence in opinion polls that

If the media was to avoid impositions which could restrict their legitimate activities, there had to he a "determined and radical move towards self-regulat-

Gorbachov flies to Afghan talks

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Soviet pull-out from Afghanistan were signalled yesterday when Mr Mikhail Gorbachov flew unexpectedly to the Central Asian city of Tashkent for talks with the Afghan leader, President Najibullah.

Also present in the capital of Soviet Uzbekistan, some 190 miles from the Afghan border,

Leading article.

was Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, who accompanied the Afghan leader from Kabul where he has been holding negotiations on the Kremlin's behalf since Sunday.

The surprise meeting in Tashkent, headquarters of the Soviet military command for Afghanistan, prompted speculation that a new bilateral deal on terms for a withdrawal of the estimated 115,000 Soviet

New moves on the promised case of a collapse in the Geneva peace talks.

On Monday, both Mr Shevardnadze and the Afghan leader underlined publicly that the Soviet withdrawal would go ahead whatever the fate of the UN-sponsored talks in Geneva.

First news of the Tashkent talks was provided by Moscow Radin, but it gave no details of the agenda. It is assumed that Moscow may want to change its withdrawal terms if it signs a one-to-one agreement with the Afghan Government, possibly even altering the agreed timetable of nine months for the pull-out.

In recent days, the Geneva talks have foundered over theissue of military aid, with Moscow insisting that it will continue to supply the Kabul Government, while demanding that Washington ceases supplying weapons to the

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Israeli fury over shooting of girl

An Israeli girl and two Palestinian villagers were Palestinian Strip began four months ago.

weapons and opened fire on

seriously. that the killing of a Jewish settler could ignite a powder

eign Minister, said no efforts would be spared "to cut off the hands of the cowardly murderers and prevent terrorism

killed yesterday in what could turn out to be the most explosive incident since the uprising in the Israeli-occu-pied West Bank and Gaza

The incident occurred outside the village of Beita, near Nablus, when a group of Israeli children from the settlement of Eilon Moreh.

the villagers, killing two of them and wounding two others. Enraged villagers then fell upon the escorts, seized their

keg in the occupied territories. The Army sealed off the village of Beita as settlers from all over the West Bank poured into Eilon Moreh.

from achieving its objectives."

From David Bernstein, Jerusalem

out on a hike, were attacked by stone-throwing villagers.

land School, Maidenhead, Berkshire.

Mr Oliver Jenks, the headmaster,

said the family support unit set up last

summer in Hungerford by Berkshire

County Council after Michael Ryan's

youngsters at Land's End, were also

Armed escorts accompanying the hikers opened fire on

According to initial reports from the area, one girl was killed and some 14 other children were wounded, one

There have long been fears

Mr Shimon Peres,the For-Shaltz shuttle, page 7

While LRT has declined to supply the minutes, its subsidiary, London Underground, said last night that it had provided extracts of board minutes on fire safety.

Opening the second part of the inquiry yesterday, Mr Henderson called for a third party to oversee safety.

board's

Inquiry report, page 5 troops was being finalized in Tears of relief as Alps pupils return to school

> About 20 teachers, half the school's complement, turned out to offer support. Other pupils - some friends of the four dead boys - carried luggage

The home-coming was particularly poignant for the fathers of two boys who fell with their friends, but escaped death by clinging to a tree.

tragedy and I don't know when exactly he will get over it. Only time will tell." He added that he had no intention

of taking any legal action against the four teachers, even if the Austrian authorities found that they had been negligent. "I feel so sorry for Mr Lee and the other teachers - especially Mr Lee who is liked by everyone. They will have to live with this for the rest of their lives."

He described his "great relief" when he saw his son get off the bus after the 24-hour journey. "Obviously, at the back of my mind was the thought of the four boys who would not be said: "He has said absolutely nothing. coming home. He clung on to my wife Lynn for five

Another father, Mr Melvyn Davies, who was reunited with his son,

Richard, aged 15, said: "Richard has lost his best friend and that will hurt him for many years. When he saw my wife, Helen, he just broke down and cried like so many of the others. It is so cruel that this tragedy has been

inflicted on so many young minds."

Both men insisted that they would allow their sons to take the same school trip, which cost about £330 a head, to the area again. Mr Jenks said that he could see no reason why similar school trips could not be organized again.

The four dead boys are expected to be flown home on Friday and their funerals are likely to be towards the end of next week. A memorial fund is being set up.

Berkshire County Council had arfor the school party

Births, marriages, deaths... City Diary. swords Law Report rampage was being made available.
Units from Stoke Poges, in Bucking-hamshire, which suffered the loss of Leading articles Obituary. Science Report Snow reports

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Home News The party of schoolchildren who lost Sport four friends in the Austrian mountain accident arrived home yesterday. Parents received details of counselling and support services as the pupils returned to Altwood Church of Eng-

> being contacted. Mr Jenks, headmaster for nine years, was present at the emotional remion of the 41 children with their

parents. He also consoled the group's leader Mr Brian Lee, and his three colleagues, Stephen Whitney, Cary Holyoak and Jackie Smith.

from the coach to waiting cars. The returning teachers declined to speak.

Mr Christopher Phimridge, whose son Thomas, aged 14, was on his second trip to the area with the school,

minutes solid and cried."

Mr Plumridge, aged 39, added: "Thomas will have to live with the

ranged a wide-ranging insurance cover

NEWS ROUNDUP

Telegraph buys The Spectator

to The Daily Telegraph for an undisclosed sum, it was

in a move aimed at ending recent uncertainty about the magazine's future, the present owner - John Fairfax (UK) - broke the news of the deal.

Today's edition of the magazine will contain a pledge from Mr Andrew Knight, chief executive of The Daily Telegraph, to maintain The Speciator's independence, adding that he looked forward to helping the current

Spectator team "advance the magazine's existing success". This is the third ownership change at *The Spectator* in three years. In 1985, oil millionaire Mr Algy Cluff sold it for £1 million to the Australian-based Fairfax group.

Last year, the Fairfax group was bought out by a younger member of the Fairfax family, who is currently selling off some of its assets to repay bank borrowings.

Ferry talks ruled out

P&O European Ferries appeared to close the door on any immediate return to talks over the nine-week Dover ferry dispute yesterday. After its regular board meeting the company said further discussions with the National Union of Seamen would not go ahead "until the union committed itself to realistic changes in the present outdated work practices". Mr Sam McCluskie, the union's general secretary, called the ferry company's stance "a recipe for continued confrontation"

Longleat lions on pill

Ten lionesses at Longleat are to be put on a contraceptive pill to curb a population explosion. For 22 years the lions at the safari park have prided themselves on their breeding capabilities. Today two-year-olds, Elsie and Sonja, will be the first to be implanted with a long-lasting contraceptive capsule in their necks. Manager Roger Cawley explained: "The lions have been so happy they are breeding all the time and now we have ton many. The contraceptive is released

Speedboat drownings

Two teenagers drowned when their speedboat overturned off the Cornish coast in the early hours of yesterday, and a third hoy was recovering after spending five hours in freezing seas. Bernard Butler, aged 19, his brother Kevin, aged 14, and their friend Edmund Davies, also 14, set out from Looe on Tuesday night and it is thought they may have taken the 15 ft Fletcher-class speedboat too far out to sea. Kevin was found off Polperro shorily after 2am, but Edmund, of Market Street, East Looe, was already dead. The search for Bernard's body continued yesterday.

T S Eliot appeal

and needy scholars and to enable the private library, in St James's Square, to buy books it could not otherwise afford. T.S. Eliot was president of the London Library from 1952

Banerjee as Christ

Victor Banerjee, the Indian actor who played Dr Aziz in the film A Passage to India, has been chosen to play the role of Christ in the 1988 cycle of York Mystery Plays, part of the city's Arts Festival in June and July. His selection fulfils a long-standing ambition to act on stage in the UK, "and to work on a classic text of these proportions", he said. Other actors to have taken the role at the festival include Simon Ward and Christopher Timothy.

Best hearing

Joseph Coogan, a hutchery assistant accused of withholding information from the police about the deaths in West Belfast last month of two British Army corporals.

General secretaries recommend tougher code of conduct

TUC avoids division on no-strike deals

By Roland Rudd and Tim Jones

The TUC pulled back yesterday from a damaging split over single-union, no-strike deals but voted for a code of conduct designed to make it harder for unions to sign such

Leading union general secretaries in the TUC Special Review Body voted by 13 to two in favour of a code of conduct and by 11 to two in favour of taking account of national agreements, such as the blue-book agreement at Ford which grants recognition to all unions at the

The decision not to take immediate action against no-strike agreements gives Mr Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary, breathing

Tory MPs

oppose

Ridley

asset plan

By David Walker Conservative district coun-

cillors have started a pro-

gramme of intense lobbying of backbench Conservative MPs in order to forestall a govern-

ment plan to redistribute cap-

ital assets owned by their

councils to predominantly

One leading councillor re-

ported yesterday very positive support from MPs in opp-osition to the proposal, which is being considered by Mr

Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary

of State for the Environment

He predicted a major rebellion

by MPs if the issue went

Opposition to the plan was

said not to be confined to "wet" Tory MPs known to be critical of Mr Ridley's plans for local government, dissent has been indicated by right-wing MPs as usell

According to the proposal,

the Department of the Environment would take pow-

ers to redistribute the pro-

ceeds from sales of housing

It is estimated that those

capital assets now total about

£9.6 billion, much of which is in accounts belonging to the shire districts, which have taken government advice and-

sold much of their property

Mr Ridley is understood to be worried by the fact that this

money is not being used productively. If title to the

assets were transferred to ur-

ban local authorities, it would

allow them to spend more on

housing and environmental

refurbishment without offend-

Mr Ridley has been highly

That is partly because many

grammes and can use capital

Official sources indicated

that the furore over the

redistribution proposal might

delay publication of a White

Paper on controls and capital

receipts to pay for them.

embarrassed at finding that

ing the Treasury.

and other property.

wing MPs as well.

Labour city councils.

placate the engineers and the elec-tricians, who have threatened to break away if their freedom to enter into such deals is curbed.

The threat by Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electonic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, to ballot his members on whether to leave the TUC over the proposed code before its formal adoption at the TUC's conference next September, is still a strong possibility. Both Mr Ham-mond and Mr Bill Jordan, president of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, voted against the principle of the new code.

Before the union leaders were able to vote on the substantive issue of whether unions should offer

compulsory arbitration, or strikefree deals, in exchange for recog-nition, Mr Ron Todd, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, put for-ward an amendment that unions should not be a party to compulsory

Mr Willis, realizing that it would precipitate a split in the TUC if it was passed, won a crucial victory to defer the issue to the next special review meeting next month.

Mr Todd said he was not confident that his amendement would be passed. However, Mr Ken Gill, joint general secretary of the Manufacturing, Science and Finance union, said he believed the vote marked the end of single-union, no-strike agreements. He said the 'crushed" if they left the TUC.

Mr Jimmy Knapp, general sec-retary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said: "There was nothing in the meeting that swung me to support compulsory arbitra-tion as part of any new recognition

A futher decision by the committee not to undermine other unions and to notify the TUC before implementing single-union agreements poses problems for both Mr Jordan and Mr Hammond. Under the directives, the en-gineers' ill-fated single-union agree-

ment with Ford of America, opposition to which led the company to abandon plans to establish a £40 million high tehenology plant at Dundee, could have been re-ported to the TUC for undermining the transport union, which represents the majority of workers at

Ford's 22 British plants. The unions are also divided on whether they should register new agreements with the TUC. Mr John

agreements with the TUC. Mr John Edmonds, general secretary of the GMB general union, said the meeting backed the idea of an "early warning system", preventing unions signing deals until they had notified the TUC.

Mr Gill said: "We must prevent unions from undermining each other and signing secret deals with managers. Only then could the trade union movement have prevented

union movement have prevented (News International's move to). Wapping and the Dundee episode." Plessey

ter collaboration in high-technology industry has been dealt a blow by the withdrawal of Plessey from a £25 million joint development project with GEC on an advanced form of semiconductor.

A White Paper in January stressed the need for industry to collaborate if it is to compete with other countries.

However, Plessey, the electronics company, has announced that it is pulling out of the Department of Trade. and industry initiative with GEC to set up a national production plant for microchips based on gallium arsenide. Electronic devices in that material operate at higher speeds than those based on traditional silicon.

Plessey said yesterday: "We could not see any major gains for the company in going ahead. We have a huge gal-lium arsenide facility, and it is selling into world markets".

vestigating collaboration with GEC, it became clear that Plessey would lose much of its hard-won lead in the technology, used primarily in defence systems, to its long-standing rival.

No government money was spent during the run-up to full collaboration and building of the plant - :

would have to lay off about 40 scientists from its Hirst research centre at Wembley, north London, and re-deploy another 60.

"We are very disappointed, as we bave been a long supporter of these DTI proposals", a spokesman said.

The department said yesterday the Government still hoped that something might be salvaged from the original plans. "There may be scope for some areas of research to continue but the GEC/Plessey project was a very important part of the whole programme", a spokesman said.

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cancels high-tech GEC deal By Robert Matthews Technology Correspondent

slowly and should make them infertile for up to three years."

Leading figures from literature and the theatre have launched a £100,000 appeal for the London Library to commemorate the centenary of T. S. Eliot's birth. The money will be used to help with the subscriptions of students until 1964. The patrons are Peggy Ashcroft, Roy Fuller, Alec Guinness, Ted Hughes, Iris Murdoch, Stephen Spender, Tom Stoppard and Michael Tippett.

Mr Keith Best, the former Conservative MP who was prisoned for four days for maki for British Telecom shares, is to face a disciplinary hearing which could disbar him. The Bar Council said yesterday that Mr Best's case had been referred by the professional conduct committee to a disciplinary trihunal which would decide in the autumn what action to take.

Funeral case bail

The High Court in Belfast yesterday granted £1,500 bail to a

Five die as lorry hits stalled minibus



The smashed minibus in which five people died and seven were hurt yesterday when a lorry crashed into the back of it. aged 38, is the curator's assistant.

eight died in the crash. A girl aged nine lost both her legs and died later in intensive care. The lorry driver, Mr

Tony Finn, aged 25, of Herne Bay, Kent,

Five people, including two children, were killed yesterday when an articulated lorry ploughed into their minibus which stalled during a sight-seeing trip around Newmarket, Suffolk.

Seven other passengers were hurt, two critically. Some of the victims were believed to come from Cheshire. Two women, a man and a boy aged

was unhurt.

The party was mid-way through the National Horseracing Museum tour of equine centres when the accident happened. The driver, Mr David Wright,

give the group a better view of the town's As the injured were taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, police and Department of Transport

. Police are investigating the possibility that the minibus had slowed down to

officials began an investigation.

Teachers' conferences

NUT urged to embrace 'new realism' By John Clare, Education Correspondent

Mr Fred Jarvis, leader of the not on. There's no alternative nie, and, in a resumed debate National Union of Teachers. yesterday appealed to his members to bury their dif-ferences and set about win-ning the same public support for state education as that enjoyed by the National Health Service.

during the financial year just ended councils actually underspent the allocation given to conference in Scarborough, them by the Department of said media reactions and a the Environment for housing rush to the barricades were not appropriate in the new politi-cal climate in which unions of the Conservative districts have small building prohad to operate.

> The public had grown weary of disruption in schools and parents did not yet share the union's sense of outrage at the provisions of the Education

Referring to the union's policy of "new realism". Mr Jarvis said: "We have to Jarvis said: "We have to Earlier, the conference address issues in ways we have a warded honorary membernot addressed them before. Some who criticize the union have only one alternative: industrial action. Well, it is

to a sustained campaign." Mr Jarvis went on to warn

militant delegates not to judge members' attitudes by the views expressed by the small minority of activists who attended union meetings. He said they should ask them-Mr Jarvis, in his closing selves why union meetings were so poorly attended. Mr Jarvis said the Inter-national Labour Organ-

ization's ruling this week that the Government's decision to suspend teachers' negotiating rights breached the ILO convention meant that Britain was flouring its international obligations.

He called on Mrs Margaret Thatcher to show her respect for international law by accepting the ILO's verdict and restoring teachers' rights.

ship of the union to Mr Nelson Mandela, the jailed leader of the African National Congress, and his wife, Win-

homosexuals are oppressed by the absence of "positive images of lesbian, 'gay' and bisexual lifestyles within the classroom".

yesterday called for increased

on homosexnal and lesbian

rights, delegates narrowly de-

feated a motion which said

steps to deal with discipline in The National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers was told that some parents actively encouraged disruptive behav-

iour by their children. The Assistant Masters and Mistresses' Association, meanwhile, voted overwhelm-

ingly at its annual assembly in London that parents should be held legally responsible for their children's behaviour in the classroom. The associ-ation is to ask the Government to introduce sanctions to deal with parents of popils who disrupt classes or are persistent truants.

The NAS/UWT conference in Blackpool was told that teachers fear they could face court action when they deal with such pupils.

Mr John Mayes, a teacher from Knowsley, Merseyside, Two other teaching unions said violence towards teachers was increasing but they could not deal with disruptive pupils effectively The 1,200 delegates unani-

mously called on the Government to ensure parents were made legally responsible for the behaviour of their children in schools.

 Left-wing opponents of in-dependent schools were ac-eused yesterday of using "fiction" to support their case. Mr Garry McClellan, chair-man of the Independent Schools Association, told its annual conference in Oxford that those who opposed pri-vate schooling had "a stereotype image" of independent

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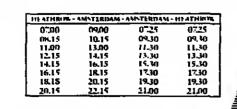
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THE MOST WEEKDAY FLIGHTS BETWEEN

Blackpool fire deaths

Hotel 'not seen by council'

died in a fire had not been inspected by council housing and health officials, it was disclosed yesterday.

However, the hotel was inspected by safety officers from the fire brigade three years ago and is understood to

Tommy, aged 21, his with patrice, aged 26, and daught Anna, aged one, also died.

Mrs Harriet Harman, La have had a fire certificate. The two adults and three children who died in the fire.

at the 24-room Leber Mount

Hotel in Dickson Road, close

to Blackpool's North Prome-nade, were all from the manager's family. Two of the dead, Leon Carradice, aged six, and his sister. Amanda Carradice, aged one, were the children of

The Blackpool hotel where the hotel manager, Mr Terry five members of the same family, three of them children, not at the hotel at time. His wife Victoria, aged 27, and son Tristam, aged seven, were admitted to hospital. Mr Carradice's brother, Tommy, aged 21, his wife, Patrice, aged 26, and daughter,

Mrs Harriet Harman, Labour's social services spokes-woman, called yesterday for an investigation into hotels for the homeless. Housing pres-sure groups such as Shelter and the Campaign for Bedsit Rights said the deaths were a

ernment housing policies. Mr Leo Pomfret, Mayor of Blackpool, said a public in-quiry might be needed to might have been responsible.

"massive indictment" of gov-

examine whether too many people were being accom-modated in hostels effectively run by the Department of Health and Social Security.

Uncertainties of definition

in housing legislation mean some hotels might be classed as a house in multiple occupation, which removes the obligation of the local authority to inspect it. Eleven survivors of the fire

were still at Blackpool's Vic-toria Hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of Forensie experts were still

trying to establish the cause of the fire, although it is believed

Policeman snubs Kennedy

By John Cooney

For the second day running during a fact-finding trip to Northern Ireland. United States Congressman Joseph Kennedy was involved in anincident yesterday with a member of the security forces. An armed policeman re-fused to shake hands with Mr Kennedy at a checkpoint on the border road leading from Londonderry to Co Donegal in the trish Republic.
On Tuesday, Mr Kennedy
was told by a British soldier in

West Belfast to go back home

after a Roman Catholic priest

accompanying him had been

The Army said in Lisburn

asked to open his car boot.

yesterday that it is investigat-

in nationalist areas there has been considerable interest in the visit of Mr Kennedy, a son of the assassinated Sen-ator Robert Keonedy, though Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA, is peeved that he has avoided contact with their representatives.

Mr Kennedy, however, is also attracting resentment from the Unionist community. The Rev William McCrea,

MP for Mid Ulster, has com-plained that it would be sufficient for Mr Kennedy to clean up his own backyard

without interfering in Ulster's

Mr Kennedy's confronta-tion with the British soldier was treated as the main story by both newspapers in Boston his home town, yesterday. The Boston Herald said

Congressman Kennedy changed angry words with British soldiers". The Boston Globe said Mr Kennedy traded insults with British troops" and claimed that the soldier swore at the Rev Matthew Wallace, the congressman's driver, as he was opening the boot for



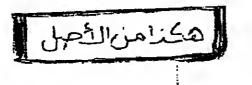
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Mr Robert Smith, managing director of Manorial Re-

search, said before the sale: "I predominantly for

Actress walks free from drugs charges after legal muddle

Miss Maria Aitken, the actress, walked free from Southwark Crown Court yesterday her home in Kennington, after Customs and Excise south-east London, but with agreed to drop two charges against her of smuseling co-came into Britain from Peru. fictitious names.

The court was told that no

prosecution evidence would be offered because of a legal

muddle involving the charges and an earlier case when she

was fined £500 plus £100 costs

for helping to import 577

milligrams of cocaine worth

Lawyers said the case had

cost the taxpayer several thousand pounds. Miss Aitken, who was on legal aid, contributed only £100 towards her

The services of Sir David Napley, the solicitor whose

last-minute personal interven-tion helped to free Miss Aitken and who was in court

been a prosecution".

the two sides.

Last August, two letters had been intercepted by customs and found to contain 577 milligrams of cocaine. A few days after she appeared in court last September

a second consignment of two letters, postmarked August 25 or 26 and August 28, were intercepted. They had been posted after Miss Aitken's arrest on August 21 for the first set of charges.

When Miss Aitken was arrested over the second consignment of letters she said: "I understand this matter has already been discussed between my counsel and your solicitors. I have already been punished for my part in this

Miss Mallalieu said that the



Miss Aitken: "delighted and relieved" at outcome.

use of a third party. The difference of opinion centred envelopes were addressed to on a discussion between prosecution and defence about whether any request had been made on Miss Aitken's behalf for customs to intercept any fitture consign-

ments of cocaine from Peru. Mr Carman said that Miss Aitken had asked her junior counsel and a young solicitor during last September's case to tell Customs and Excise about possible extra consignments of cocaine.

If that message had been properly passed the case would have been dealt with differently, Miss Mallalieu

Mr Carman said that junior counsel was in no way to be criticized for lack of integrity. But he added: "The way in which he discharged his man-date, in retrospect, left something to be desired".

He said that the counsel had decided to carry out his instructions by having a pri-vate discussion with Miss Nancy Palfreyman, prosecuting for Customs and Excise. There was no dispute that the discussion had taken place but there was a disagreement over what had been decided.

In hindsight, any terms agreed at the meeting should have been put in writing and disclosed in open court.

Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC, who recorded a verdict of not guilty on both charges, said that "it was a thousand pities" that no written record of Miss Aitken's request had been kept. "Whether it is the fault of junior counsel is for others to decide", he added.

Outside the courtroom Miss Aitken hugged her mother, Lady Aitken, and said she was delighted and relieved.

Preparing for the human race



Richard Dolfe, at 82 the oldest London Marathon entrant, limbers up with Shelley Webb, wife of England footballer Neil Webb. If Shelley finishes the race, her husband does the washing up for a month (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

By Michael Coleman Oddballs they might be, but the message coming across from the Mars London Marathon "specials" assembled to meet the Press yesterday was that where there is life there is most certainly hope.

From the teenage brain tumour reject to those in their seventies and eighties, the benefits derived from running and from this race in particular, radiated.

Andrew Syvennsen, engaged in an eight-year struggle against a brain tu-mour from which his doctor doubted he would survive, saw the race on television

from his wheelchair. "I am going to do that one", he said even though at the time he could hardly move five yards. Syvennsen, from Frinton on Sea, Essex, lines up on Sunday.

Fully recovered, he will be running for Ward 1B at Great Ormond Street Hospital where, as he put it, his "messy battle" for life from the age of 12 was

For Richard Dolfe, a bright and perky 82-year-old from Canterbury, the race will be his 12th marathon.

The oldest (by the calendar) woman

will again be Jenny Wood Allen, aged 76. an active councillor from Dundee, whose time of 4 hours 21 minutes 35 seconds set in Dundee three years ago is the fastest ever by a female septuagenarian. Next Sunday is her 15th marathon.

Raymond Hubbard, a physical education teacher from Glasgow, is attempting to complete three marathons in three days: the Belfast Half Marathon next Saturday, which he will run round twice, London next day, and then, by Con-corde, for the Boston race on Monday, "all of them under three hours", he said

Song and dance over move to scrap pews

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Editor

A country vicar's plan to clear the pews from his church so that it can be used for singing and dancing is to be opposed by some of his parisbioners at an ecclesiastical court hearing next week.

The Rev John Earp, vicar of St John's, Hartley Wintney, Berkshire, wants to replace the 117-year-old church's fixed wooden pews with portable

Opponents have formed the St John's Protectors' Group, and are briefing counsel to represent them at the consistory court hearing before the diocesan chancellor, Mr John Spokes, QC.

Mr Earp wants to raise £63.000 to replace pews with chairs to allow for more informal worship

He said: "It is to allow us greater flexibility in church. I do not like regimented rows of pews. It will enable us to arrange the chairs closer to the altar to make it easier for people to receive Holy Communion. "But it will also allow more

room for singing and dancing. When one is expressing a feeling of great joy one does sometimes want to sing and dance and clap. But that is not the main reason for the plan."

One of the cburch wardens, Mr Brian Carlisle, has organized opposition to the proposal. After it was first announced in 1986, more than 100 people protested to the Winchesier diocesan registrar.

Mr Carlisle said: "We think it is wrong to suddenly change everything in the church. They like worshipping in a lively fashion, clapping their hands and jumping around a bit. It has spoilt the atmosphere and it makes services very

Shoppers to go on credit files

By Derek Harris

posting small quantities of cocaine to her for the personal

Shoppers wishing to buy on credit will soon be told that details of their transactions may be put on file for inspection by finance companies.

The move comes as controversy continues over the compilation of personal files which retailers use to check the credit worthiness of poten-

The Finance Houses Association is trying to reduce the chances of an individual being given more credit than he she can hope to pay back.

It estimates that 30 per cent of those seeking credit are not admitting to the credit suppliers they have accounts outstanding.

Increasing computerization of personal files has offered the association's members more chance to vet potential

Mr Ray Hazlchurst, outgoing chairman of the association, said: "It means we can protect people against themselves". The finance companies could reduce the proportion of bad debts which are running at between 1 and

1.5 per cent of sales. The FHA has been under pressure to ensure that warnings are given because of recent legal provisions on data protection administered by Mr Eric Howe, the Registar of Data Protection.

Mr Hazlehurst said: "It is not going to be buried in the small print. A proper and adequate warning will be given; If customers do not want details to be placed on file then they may go perhaps to a trader with a more cavalier attitude towards the extending of credit."

Nearly 40 European retailers, including Storehouse and Selfidges, are beginning to rebel at the high cost of credit card fees charged by banks and are not prepared to accept debit card charges based on a

percentage of the sale. They believe that charges for Eftpos, the electronic funds transfer at the point of sale, should be largely borne

Why maintenance orders go unpaid

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

children's maintenance orders processed by magistrates' courts remain unnaid for several years and are of such low sums that it is pointless for courts to make them, according to findings of a new survey published this week.

In addition, attempts to reluctant to seek enforcement or to sign a complaint form

This stems from the wife's fear of violence or further deterioration in the relationship with the former husband. a particular concern where children are still young.

The findings of the survey, conducted by Dr Susan Edwards and Miss Ann Halpern, researcher and senior lecturer in law at Ealing College of Higher Education, are pub-lished in the April issue of Family Law.

On the basis of the findings, they conclude that while many women and children in theory are receiving maintenance "there is a r payments, this is just a "paper not to pay."

Nearly half of all wives' and entitlement" and the reality is that many instead are receiving state support,

Maintenance orders are not the best way of providing for a former wife's financial security and it would be better for courts to aim for a "clean break", they say.

The survey of 346 mainteenforce orders are largely fu-nance orders registered for tile, mainly because wives are payment at a West London magistrates' court found that out of the 121 orders which when told of arrears by the included payment to wives, 73

> It also found the sums of money in arrears were large. Of the orders studied, 269 did not have an attachment of earnings order by which sums are deducted regularly from wages. Of these, 55 per cent were in arrears; 43 per cent involving sums of up to £1,000 and 57 per cent sums of £1,000 to £11,000.

Reasons for non-payment include inability to pay, the impact of other commitments and plain refusal. Many men which confirm earlier studies, and also solicitors feel that if access to children is restricted or denied by the mother then "there is a moral justification

Court told of Tennant arrest in police swoop

discovered in an Edinburgh flat during a police drugs squad raid, a court was told

vesterday. The city's Sheriff Court was told that officers armed with a sledge hammer tried to enter a second floor flat at Ritchie. Place, Edinburgh on August

31 last year. Det Constable Henry McAdam said that when he and a colleague eventually got in they found four people standing in the living room trying to look innocent as if nothing had happened and surprised that we were even in

Charles Tennant, the eldest charged with three others of son of Lord Glenconner, was obstructing police and attempting to destroy evidence.

The court heard that no trace of drugs was found on any of the accused but a knife had cannabis resin on it.

Mr Tennant, of The Glenn Innerleithin, Peebles; Edith Caldwell, aged 31, of Marchmont Road; Clarisssa Wynne, aged 23, of Woodfield Avenue and George Clyne, aged 39, of Ardmillan Terrace. all Edinburgh, deny contravening the Misuse of Drugs Act 1974.

Sheriff Kenneth Ross said he would give his decision Mr Tennant, aged 31, is today.

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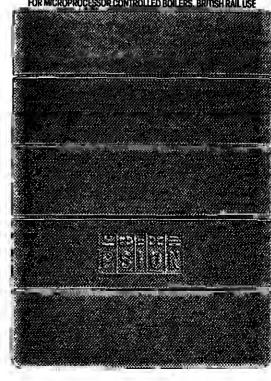
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> An anonymous bidder from the Stratford-upon-Avon area, represented by an anonymous gentleman with a Scottish accent, paid a record £87,000 for the title which manorial specialists believed would be ight by an American bidder.

the house."

dollar has anything to do with it. If you are rich, you're rich". He thought Stratford would go to America. In the event not single American bid was

Lordship sold for £87,000

However, competition was fierce and the price soared £34,000 beyond the best previous price for a lordship and far beyond the expectations of anctioneer, Mr Ray Knappett.

The mystery boyer was said to come from within 30 miles of Stratford-upon-Avon and to be both a great admirer of Shakespeare and keen that the lordship should remain in England in the care of someone who would appreciate its

intrinsic value. It was bought

Stratiord, my Lords, is safe; do not think the value of the and Shakespearian interests, the desire for lofty title among dollar has anything to do with said the representative

The lordship, which carries no material or ceremonial benefits, was offered on behalf of Lord Sackville, a relation of the Bloomsbury Vita Sackville-Wests. It predated the Norman Conquest by 300 years and had documents going back to 1301.

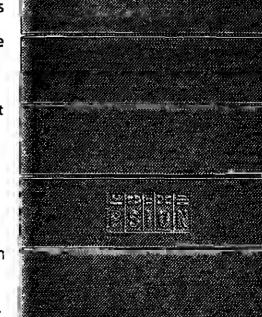
At Domesday the lordship was rated for land tax and 141/2 hides. There was a mill yielding an annual 10 shillings. The thought was that the

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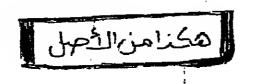
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King's Cross disaster inquiry

Tragedy will strike again unless standards improve'

By Rodney Cowton and Tony Dawe

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Travelling on the Under-ground had been an exceed-ingly safe form of public

transport. Few people had lost

their lives using it, and only a

handful by fire, and none, before King's Cross, had lost their lives from an escalator

fire. For this London Regional

Transport deserved proper

He said that wooden es-

calators of the kind on which

the fire began had been built in

the first half of this century and had shown remarkable durability, possibly carrying

passengers over a distance of

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A devastating indictment of standards of safety and attitudes to them at all levels

Treasury Solicitor with minutes of board meetings which would show to what extent the of London Underground was delivered yesterday at the King's Cross disaster inquiry.

Things would go "tragically wrong" again unless there was a thorough revision of safety policies, Mr Roger Henderson, QC, counsel to the in-

He was opening the second part of the formal investigation; which will look into the wider issues underlying the disaster in which 31 people died last November.

The good safety second of the Underground had led to a alse sense of security, he said. But things have gone scri-ously wrong in recent years and they will go tragically wrong again if there is not a root and branch appraisal of afety in stations".

Standards, from the highest to the lowest levels in the Underground, have been allowed to slip 9

Mr. Henderson said that standards had slipped despite a high number of small fires on the Underground. He said that one set of figures suggested 1,246 fires had occurred in 1980 and that the most conservative reports in-dicated 1,535 in the last three years, 182 of them on

He also disclosed that London Regional Transport had refused to provide the

board had considered questions of safety.

Mr Henderson said the King's Cross fire "arose because of a combination of currentances, not because of.

an isolated mistake. Standards, from the high-est to the lowest levels in London Underground, have

been allowed to slip. "At the highest level there was insufficient regard to safety in stations.

"There was a lack of liaison, proper holding of meetings and proper calling to account of those responsible for the operational system."

At middle management levels, there was "no appropriate impetus from above" on safety matters. Inadequacies in training, equipment, control and management of sta-tions were tolerated and no planning or drill in the event of fire was required by them.

"Manning and cleaning levopen to serious question. The humdrum dature of the work, possibly the levels of remuneration the lack of drills or sufficient mechanical aids predisposed the staff in extremely uncongenial circumstances, and very adverse satisfactory performance."

The fire is thought to have started in grease, dust and other rubbish lodged in the running track of the escalator and been ignited possibly by a dropped match. Mr Henderson said that the risk of fire on the running track was rec- dangerous fire.

difficult and unappealing job easy to believe that because a which, because of its characfire had not occurred ter, was never carried out". before, it would not happen. Such a philosophy was under-The London Underground standable but dangerous, and -rule book disclosed that a predominant concern was the a real enemy of good management railway, not the stations. Mr Henderson said: "That is a philosophy that is perfectly understandable, But it may be that safety in stations has

There had been a lack of a positive approach to safety. Mr Henderson said: "We are aware of no objective or self-critical analysis by senior taken second place to safety nanagement to ensure that safety of operations was given high priority in decision making." We are aware of no

The safety record had led to

a false sense of security. It was

It appeared from reading all the documents that non-allocation of resources had contributed to a lack of safety at King's Cross.

What has been lacking has been the correct reception and assessment of risks and not the funds. Aids are available and can be afforded."

Turning to the request by the Treasury Solicitor for minutes of LRT's board meetings to provide evidence of consideration of safety matters at that level, he said there had been almost no docu-mentary evidence of this.

He asked LRT to reconsider its decision not to supply the minutes, and said if they were not forthcoming, the conclusion to be drawn "will be a melancholy one".

There was a propensity for dust, grease and detrilus to Mr Henderson said it seemed likely that because of collect on the running tracks the lack of analysis of safety matters, by the board, it could fire. But good maintenance not have appreciated the and relevant training had in increasing frequency and danthe past ensured that the ger of fires on escalators in machines were not prone to recent years.

Call for safety overhaul

Dance to a distant African beat

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Some of the members of Adzido, Britain's leading African dance ensemble, taking advantage of April sunshine vesterday to rehearse their steps on the terrace of the Festival Hall on the South Bank in preparation for their show "Coming Figure" which they will perform at the adjacent Queen Elizabeth Hall tomorrow (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Information technology

Programme 'fails to deliver'

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter projects involving industry

A government programme set projects involve up in 1983 to develop Britand academics. ain's information technology industry has failed to fulfil its potential, according to the independent National Audit Office.

The office yesterday drew attention to a continuing shortage of graduates with the right skills that was hampering the development of information technology.

A critical report stated that such technology "is essential to the competitiveness of virtually all manufacturing and service industries, and has a fundamental impact on

society". Government and industry had injected around £150 million into the so-called Alvey Programme for Advanced

Technology by April last year, the report disclosed. The programme is intended to make British information technology competitive through collaborative research

The report acknowledges the programme has commis-

sioned much research, sup-ported around 300 projects and encouraged much greater co-operation, but it also dis-closed areas of concern. More had been spent on administration, infrastructure and academic research than originally intended. Exploita-

had so far failed to match expectations, The office says participants in the programme should be

tion of Alvey-funded research

allowed only one year, not three, to exploit the results of their research. The Alvey directorate, operating from the Department of Trade and Industry, had done too little to encourage collab-

oration between industry,

academics and research organ-

izations. There had been delays and withdrawals from

the programme.

Participation in projects was dominated by five large companies with small firms harely getting a look in. Appraisal of potential pro-

jects by the Alvey directorate was too slow - in eight of 42 projects examined more than nine months elapsed between receipt of final proposals and offers to contractors.

Monitoring of projects was in some cases very poor. Financial control and funding of projects was unsatisfactory. It took four years to introduce integrated computers.

The office reported that skills shortages had been re-ported in more than half of the 42 projects investigated. This had led to substantial delays. withdrawal of partners, and the employment of foreign experts or an overseas university in three projects.

The Alvey Programme for Advanced Information Technology (National Audit Office: Department of Trade and Industry: Stationery Office, £5,20).

History of heart risk researched By Thomson Prentice

The reason why some men whose parents both died of heart disease are at high risk is being investigated.

A study funded by the British Heart Foundation of almosi 8.000 middle-aged men in Britain has found that those with such family history have more than four times the normal risk of heart attack.

"There appears to be a familial risk factor, environmental or genetic, which is as yet unexplained". Professor Gerald Shaper, director of the continuing study, said vester-

The latest results show that a middle-aged man whose father has died from heart trouble is at twice the fish of heart attack, compared with a man whose father is still alive.

Professor Shaper said: "if both parents have died of heart trouble the risk of heart attack is increased more than

QC recommends tougher inspections passengers can be achieved in

Safety standards on the London Underground have dropped so appallingly that better independent inspection must be made of the network, Mr Henderson told the inquiry yesterday. He recommended several

changes after reading thousands of documents collected by the Treasury Solicitor.

"If London Regional Trans-port and London Underground are to be kept on their toes, and indifference and inertia not to prevail, there must be third party overview", Mr Henderson said.

He said that the railway inspectorate needed to be "more intrusive and more exacling".

It had suffered from a shortage of staff and either more manpower was provided and new skills acquired or the Health and Safety Executive should take over a supervisory role as it had done with the factory inspectorate.

Mr Henderson said he wanted to ensure that "the loss of 31 lives in 1927 would make a perpetual and not a



criticized safety

charged with running the Underground".

He recommended that London Regional Transport should be made more accountable to the public and should establish better safety systems. He said that at station level, continuous control needed to be exercised by "authorative and trained staff".

He said that one thing missing at King's Cross was a "true control room" and that transient impact on those there needed to be an opera-

staff to open water sprinkler valves by remote control, to notice smoke on television monitors, to open gates at a distance and to make public and private announcements. Mr Henderson also called

for the installation of more equipment to detect fires and for better staff training in safety and evacuation drills. London Transport had to reconsider "the complement and calibre of staff necessary maintain safety", Mr Henderson said.

Other recommendations the QC made included the immeniate temovai oi mood en components from escalators, better maintenance of all surviving wooden es-calators, the removal of combustible materials including where necessary false ceilings and highly combustible paint, and any other structural alterations needed in the in-

terests of safety. He also said there should be more determined enforcement of safety measures such as the smoking ban and more reliable recording and analysis

of all Underground fires. "I doubt if the safety of complex stations without a substantial reliance on automatic prevention devices" Mr Henderson said. He disclosed that two

recommendations made after the first serious escalator fire on the Underground in 1944 had been enforced promptly hut later forgotten. An inquiry had led to more

frequent cleaning of escalators and to the employment of more cleaners, but in recent years numbers had dropped and cleaning became sporadic. Mr Henderson also said

that the water fog system had r the 1944 fire and had been used every fortnight to damp down escalators to prevent smouldering. But by the 1980s the fire prevention role of the water fog system had disappeared.

He said there was evidence that the water fog system at King's Cross had not been used or tested for some years.

Proposals to install smoke detectors in the Piccadilly Line escalator shaft where last year's fire started had been abandoned in 1966 because of the cost, which was then estimated at £450.

Share schemes popular with workers

By Roland Rudd

Employee share ownership schemes are proving more popular with British workers who believe it is their right to own part of their company and build up a useful nest egg for the future.

In a study of a factory in the north Midlands employing 380 people, with just under 30 per cent members of a union, the British Journal of Industrial Relations found that 69 per cent believed they had a right to own part of their company and more than a half

thought the scheme would help them feel part of the company.

Workers are more likely to join share ownership schemes if they are seen to offer financial benefits. However, nearly a half believe they would have to wait 100 long before they could make money and nearly a third feared that no matter how hard they worked it would not affect

the share price. Workers were more interested if they thought the firm was a fair employer. The survey took place during the months allowed for employees to decide whether they wanted to join the scheme. Some 36 per cent thought they would

Although only a quarter thought the scheme would huild up team spirit and only 18 per cent thought it would reduce feelings of "them and us". 45 per cent thought the scheme would make the company more successful.

British Journal of Industrial Relations (Basil Blackwell Ltd., 108 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 IJF; by subscription).

Genetically engineered organisms

Salmonella vaccine created

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Scientists have genetically engineered a vaccine that protects against the food pois-oning organism salmonella. Once it has endowed immunity, the genetically en-gineered organism destroys

By using another technique for altering microbes, the hiologists have deleted the gene from the cholera organism that controls production of its lethal toxin. The scientists are now test-

ing in the laboratory oral vaccines that use the altered organisms as their active ingredient to promote imm-

Progress on research with these new types of live vaccines created by genetic en-gineering, which will soon be available from the drug industry, was discussed yesterday at the first international conference on the release of

Describing the self-destruct of the Pasteur Institute in Descripting the self-ucsulation of mechanism built into the salmonella vaccine, Professor commercial goals of genetic microbes could be released Roy Curtiss said it was designed to overcome anxiety the development of microbes causing harm.

that persistent "new life as "factories" to produce large amounts of otherwise rare oratory, could carry risks proteins, such as insulin, when they were released into the environment.

Professor Curtiss, from the University of Washington in St Louis, regards the use of live strains of bacteria for making oral vaccines as an intentional release of microorganisms environment.

He said since genetic en-gineering research started 14 years ago, scientists and their adversaries had made endless lists of possible risks if a "new life form" created in the laboratory should escape and

They had gradually reached agreement that most of the speculated harmful consequences were "pretty much figments of our collective imaginations".

Looking at possible future genetically engineered microorganisms (GEMs).

interferon and ioterleukin. Considerable effort had

gone into improving the ability of some microbes to produce antihiotics, vitamins or amino acids. In addition, the production

by microbes of enzymes for food processing and other industrial applications had become the target of extensive genetic engineering research. However, Dr Davies said engineered organisms were made under strict containment. The organisms them-

oratory. Comparing the genetically engineered organism to the light bulh, Professor John Beringer, of Bristol University, a member of the Government's regulatory committee for the release of organisms, organisms, Dr Julian Davies, suggested that experience with traditional processes showed

Motorized pram ban



Mrs Burton with Sebastian and her motorized pram

has banned a mother from using a motorized pram in the streets of Exmouth, Devon.

When Mrs Bernadette Burton, aged 28, became breathless pushing her 18-month-old Sebastian, in a heavy pram up the hills round her

The Department of Transport fitted an electric engine from an old Sinclair C5 car.

> But Department of Transport officials said the motorher brother, David, persons", a spokesman said.

ized pram did not comply with the regulations. "The only vehicle allowed on the pavement is one for disabled

British smokers consume

Buildings which are air-conditioned British Journal of Addiction would also benefit considerably, however, through the reduced costs for heating and cooling.

The research has been backed by the universities.

prevent buildings from overheating in

summer and losing too much heat in

Warning to women smokers

By Our Science Correspondent

Women in unskilled jobs who smoke run twice the risk of lung cancer as professional women, a health expert

warned yesterday. The warning came from Sir Richard Doll, acting head of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund's epidemiology and clinical trials unit, and coincides with the publication of statistics on smoking in

Britain. The overall picture is of a decline in smoking among men since the mid-1970s and among better-off women, But experts are concerned about the upward trend in young women, and those in lowerpaid jobs.

"It is vital that this particular group of women heed the risk they are running". Sir Richard said.

Girls aged between 16 and 19 are smoking more than a few years ago, and many start the habit earlier in life. The proportion of adult women who started to smoke before they were 16 rose from six to 15 per cent between 1965 and

more than 80,000 tonnes of cigareties a year, equal to 3 lbs of tobacco for every man. woman and child. Male smokers average 130 ciga-rettes a week, against 110 for Researchers writing in the

say the belief that men are giving up smoking more than women is a myth, because figures do not take into account men who switch from cigarettes to cigars and pipes. UK Smoking Statistics (Oxford University Press, £35).

There were only two of us aboard the jumbo, and the pilot steered with his legs. This was not one of your common or garden 747's, but

a fully grown Indian elephant: and we were travelling at an average height of ten rather than 35,000 feet. We were at the Kaziranga National Park in Assam, one of India's 220 wildlife parks and sanctuaries. Here you can

view everything from exotic birds (at Bhararpur) to the rare

Asian lion (at Sasan Gil) So a tilo to India can truly be a walk on the wild side. Oi, as in our case, a ride: 16 foot tall elephant grass soon puts a stop to any thought of walking Kacitanga is famed for its one-homed thinos which, at 3 tonnes and fearfully unpredictable, are not to be taken lightly

After two hours travelling in long grass we heard the rumble that announced the presence of a grazing thino. Cautiously our Mahout edged our mount closer. The long grass parted and there it stood, a white egret rising from its back in alarm. Though its single great horn pointed malevolently

towards us, the great beast took out unannounced visit in its stude. Another jussock of grass, one shake of the immense armout-plated head, and it swung control the long grass was breathed and it swung away again. Then both tealised, in our excitement that we'd clean forgotten to take any photographs. What better excuse for going back next year?

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'Intelligent' windows may help office conditions possibility of making their buildings lithium and tungsten trioxide. A small Used as windows in offices, the electrochromic process would help to

By Robert Matthews Technology Correspondent

An invention by scientists at Imperial College, London, promises to revolutionize the heating and cooling of offices and bring comfort to office

Professor Mino Green and colleagues in the college's electrical engineering department have found a way of making "intelligent" windows, the transparency of which can be

altered by a switch. Architects have long dreamt of the

change physically to suit weather conditions. However, until now the technology needed has been too In work which is at least two years

ahead of the rest of the world Professor Mino has found a way of producing large areas of "electro-chromic" glass, where colour and transparency can be altered elec-

Two sheets of glass are used to sandwich a layer of two compounds,

positive voltage applied to the transparent pane forces the two layers Unlike rival liquid crystal technology, the panes can be made virtually

any size, and the colour change stays when the current is switched off. They

are made clear again by simply

reversing the voltage. That is a significant advantage over photochromic materials such as that used in sunglasses, where colour changes cannot be finely tuned.

British Technology Group, which seeks commercial applications for research carried out in British

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And out went any thought of fitting tweeters in the dash top. The high



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notes get reflected off the inside of the windscreen, causing dispersal and confusion.

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WORLD ROUNDUP

Amman anger at Shultz interview

Amman (Reuter) - Jordanian newspapers and television yesterday blacked out an interview with the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, in a gesture apparently reflecting official anger at his approach to Middle East peace.

The newspapers attacked Mr Sbultz bitterly for pro-Israeli remarks he made in the interview in Amman and refused to carry the text. State-run television cancelled plans to broadcast it. Political sources said the uproar reflected disappointment and anger felt by Jordanian leaders over the current American approach to Middle East peace.

• JERUSALEM: Mr Schultz left Israel yesterday deter-

mined to press on with his peace initiative despite the apparent lack of progress in his talks so far will leaders here and in Amman and Damascus (David Bernstein writes). He conceded before leaving for Cairo that differences between the sides "have not been substantially narrowed."

Drugs coup by US New York - The US authorities celebrated a moral victory

against the drug barons of Central America yesterday when Senor Juan Matta Ballesteros, one of the most wanted alleged cocaine traffickers in the region and a reputed billionaire, was flown handcuffed to New York from bis native Honduras (Charles Bremner writes).

A spokesman for the Marshals' Service said that "this is one of the most significant fugitive arrests in recent years" after the agency negotiated it outside Señor Maria's villa in Tegucigalpa, the Honduran capital. His emergence as a visible figure in Honduras life, despite the country's close alliance with Washington, had become a symbot of US impotence in the war against the cocaine cartels.

Fears for Tutu's life

Fears of a possible attempt to assassinate Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the primate of the Anglican Church in Southern Africa, are believed to be behind an appeal the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, has made to leaders of the Anglican Communion throughout the world (Clifford Longley writes). Dr Runcie has asked them to pray for Archbishop Tutu's safety on Ascension Day, May 12.

Protest in Senegal

Dakar – With a state of emergency and nightly curfew still in place, the newly elected Senegalese National Assembly met for the first time yesterday amid protests from the 17 opposition deputies at the imprisonment of their leader, Mr Abdoulaye Wade, and five other party members (Susan MacDonald writes).

Paramilitary police and soldiers patrolled the poorer areas of Dakar as President Diouf announced the formation of the new Government. Mr Wade was arrested on February 29 and charged with plotting insurrection.

A homeless billion

Delhi (AFP) - One billion people, a fifth of the world's population, are bomeless or live in slums - and the number will rise to three billion within 12 years unless governments make a number of fundamental changes in their existing approach to the problem, said an official summary of a document at a UN conference here on shelter. Some 400 delegates to the six-day UN Commission on Human Settlements meeting are to discuss global strategies for shelter up to the turn of the century and make a submission to the General Assembly this year.

Gulf attacks kill 34

Nicosia (AFP) - Iran and Iraq yesterday unleashed a spate of air and missile attacks on one another's cities, reportedly killing at least 34 civilians.

Four Iraqi missiles fell on residential areas of Teheran, the Iranian news agency irna reported, and Iran fired five missiles at the southern port of Basra.

Soviet-style apology Moscow (AP) - The newspaper Sovietskaya Rossiya

esterday appeared to atone for the "sur" of publishing letter defending Josef Stalin by reprinting an article by Pravda criticizing it. The paper published the unusual Pravda attack on its entire second page but made no comment on the criticism, first published the day before.

Amid hijack crisis, France deals on kidnaps

Paris barters for Lebanon hostages

Negotiations for the release of the last three French hostages held in Lebanon appear to have entered a crucial final

As speculation grew in Paris yesterday that the former intelligence agent who played a key role in a previous exchange was back from a new mission in Syria with firm fred Schmidt in January last proposals, the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs would not comment on reports that a "package deal" involving pay- taken part in the kidnaps. meat of a huge ransom and the resumption of diplomatic relations with Iran had already been worked out.

It is known, bowever, that Muslim group. The prosecutor M Jean-Charles Marchiani, said Dr Cordes long captivity M Jean-Charles Marchiani, who has been entrusted with the highly sensitive negotia-tions by the Government of M tions by the Government of M cruet and cynical Chirac, arrived in Damascus sentiment. The trial began alon a scheduled Air France flight on Saturday.

According to well-placed sources, M Marchiani - travelling once more under the alias of Alexandre Stefani checked in to room 317 at the Hotel Mcridien before setting off for the Bekaa Valley region of Lebanon io meet repre-sentatives of the Shia Hezb-ollah faction, which holds effective power there.

There are reliable reports that the former secret service agent, who was involved closely in the deal in which two French journalists were freed last November, was accompanied by a Syrian-born French businessman, M Om-

A renowned "fixer" with excellent contacts in the Shia world, M Adham is known to have been enlisted in previous efforts to secure the release of two diplomats, M Marcel

diplomatic relations was on the agenda, but the French made clear that this could take place only after the release of Hamadei, who is charged in the three hostages.

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The latest push appears to

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ping of two West Germans in At about the same time, M Beirut (John England writes). Chirac's right-hand man, the Mr Hamadei, a Lebanese Interior Minister, M Charles Pasqua, was talking to influenaged 29, has denied involvement in the abductions of Dr tial figures in the large Lebanese Sbia community in Radolf Cordes and Herr Al-Abidjan, the capital of the Ivory Coast. M Pasqua reyear. But the prosecutor, Dr Karl-Heinz Schnarr, said it turned to France ahead of schedule. When journalists had been proved that he had asked if this had anything to do with the hostages, he Herr Schmidt, aged 48, was replied: "No, but you are not freed in September, but Dr Cordes, aged 54, is still in the

obliged to believe me." The reaction this invited was quickly strengthened by the unexpected release of a Lebanese-born Shia who was accused of helping to organize the terrorist bomb attacks which killed 13 people and maimed scores more in Paris. in 1986.

about 60 witnesses. Final After spending a year in jail, speeches for the defence will Mohammed Mouhadjer was freed at the end of March by a senior judge, citing "lack of evidence". An official denial ton, and a journalist. Jeanthat this had any bearing on a Paul Kauffman, whose ordeal possible bostage deal did at the hands of the pro-Iranian nothing to quelt speculation Islamic Jihad has now lasted that it was another move in the complicated framework of Despite the official silence a deal to bring back the three in Paris, it is reasonable to .

Frenchmen. Since then, intense activity involving French emissaries in Damascus and Tehran has

kept the rumour mill busy.

Within the past few days it has also been reported that shipments of food from have begun in Vienna last humanitarian organizations" in the West are being distribused among the poorest Shia communities in Lebanon. something that has previously marked the approach of a



M Lucien Bitterlin, left, a French mediator, leaving talks in Beirnt yesterday with Mr Nabib Berri, the Shia Amal leader, who said the three bostages in Lebanon would be released soon.

Islamic Jihad returns to terror's centre stage

From Robert Fisk Bahrain

On one of his secret visits to the kidnappers of two Americans in west Beirut, Mr Terry Waite pleaded with the captors in blunt terms which they could not fail to

Even when he recalled his words later, the Archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy to Lebanon was shaking with emotion, "Whatever you do", be warned the men of Islamic Jihad, "for God's sake leave the al-Sabah family alone."

Just over a year later Mr Waite was bimself in the kidnappers' hands and this week - on the airfield at Mashhad in north-eastern Iran - his appeal was finally and demonstrably ignored. Lowly though they may be in the Kuwaiti Emir's enormous family tree, at least three al-Sabahs now have their beads.

The demand of their captors has been the same all along the release of 17 men, most of them Shia

the bombing of the US and French embassies there in 1983.

It was for these men that Terry Anderson, the Associated Press bureau chief in Beirut, was kidnapped in 1985. It was for them that Mr Thomas Sutherland, the acting dean of agriculture at the American University in Beirut, was abducted shortly afterwards. And it was for them that the kidnappers of Mr Anderson and Mr Sutherland argued in their talks with Mr Waite.

Now Islamic Jihad turns out to be far larger and far better organized than the small coven of Shia extremists their enemies once thought them to be.

It was Mr Waite who first realized bow tightly controlled and how determined were the men - mostly Lebanese - who ran the organization. A hijacking on this scale requires a degree of concerted action which Islamic Jihad had never previously revealed.

No longer is the fate of those 17 prisoners confined to the ordeal of Iranian revolutionary enthusiasm.

Beirut and of Dr Robert Runcie's missing lay preacher, no more is it a matter of bomb explosions around Kuwaiti refineries or vain a carbomb attempt against the Emir's motorcade. The hijack of flight KU 422 has put Islamic Jibad at the centre of the world stage.

Only Iran will have little to learn from the experience, for the organization is in effect the military wing of the Iraqi opposition Dawa party, the movement supported by Iran and dedicated to the overthrow of President Saddam Hussein.

Its members in Lebanon, within the Hezbollah (Party of God) movement bul also among the Shia Muslim intelligentsia, travel freely to Iran and — while they are not directly cootrolled by the Iranian regime - draw their inspiration from those Iranian clerics who lived and preached in Lebanon.

Shia radicalism in Lebanon always had about it a peculiarly ferocious quality when grafted on to bombs into Israeli army convoys in southern Lebanon, to immolate themselves along with their enemies, can be compared with the kamikaze pilots of Japan.

The man who drove a truck bomb

into the American Embassy in 1983

massacred every Lebanese civilian in the visa section as well as many of the CIA's Middle East station operatives. At the time Islamic Jibad claimed these bombers as their members; Sheikh Muhammad Fadlallah bimself - a spiritual mentor to the movement - was popularly believed to have blessed the men before their mission, a

claim he has always denied.

The Americans put it about that the bombers had been injected with drugs before being sent to their deaths, a theory which looked less likely as young men and women continued to kill themselves quite deliberately in attacks against the Israelis, coldly recording their posthumous video appearances be-

Not all of them were members of Islamic Jihad - several were Greek Orthodox Christians - but the spirit of self-immolation was set by the Shia Muslims. That is why the gunmen on the Kuwaiti airliner at Mashhad could be far more ruthless than other hijackers.

What makes their demand so deeply cynical, however, is that Islamic Jihad has disclosed privately in the past six months that it would settle for less than the Kuwait 17. Hours of negotiation between intermediaries and the Beirut cells of the movement resulted in a list of just six names, whose release would be sufficient for the entire campaign to be called off.

At least three of these men had families in Lebanon, one of them related by marriage to Imad Mougnieh, the Hezbollah official who once controlled two of the hostages in Beirut. Already the French - whose three captives in Beirut were abducted for the 17 men in Kuwait - are bargaining with

From Juan Carles Gumucio west Beirut

From the slums of west Beirut to the Israeli frontline in southern Lebanon, buge coloured portraits of Ayatollah Khomeini and Mr Nabih long been vying for influence. Berri, the leader of the mainstream Amal militia, proclaim the religious and political unity of Lebanon's one million Sbia Muslims.

Never before has such a message proved so violently deluding as in the past two days. Fierce fighting between the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, or Party of God. and Amal militiamen backed by Syria has killed 12 people since

rupted macbine-gun and rocket battles in and around the town of Nabatea and in villages near Tyre, where the rival Shia Muslim forces have

Fully aware of the potential threats to tranian and Syrian interests in Lebanon, Lebanese Muslim leaders were struggling yesterday to stop the bloodsbed. Their calls failed to bring about a ceasefire.

Street fighting paralyzed all activities in Nabatea and there were only sketchy details of the situation on the ground. "It was crazy," a Nabatea resident told reporters shortly

terday. "No one dared even to look out of their windows." According to reports from the south, one of the worst

battles was being fought in the village of Siddiqine, about 20 miles south of Nabatea. Siddigine is an important Hezbollah stronghold and the site of a leading religious school run by tranian and Lebanese clergymen.

Residents in west Beirut were increasingly afraid that the hostilities could spread to the western Muslim sector of have considerable military

Risks of a confrontation remain high as long as Iran At least 30 others were after he reached Sidon yes- and Syria stay on the sidelines.

Although friends and allies in than 1,000 revolutionary the Gulf war, the Syrians and guards, Islamic scholars and tranians have been competing for the loyalty of the Shia sees southern Lebanon as a Muslims of Lebanon, the largest sect in the country.

As a result, relations between Amal, which can mobilize about 30,000 men, and Hezhollah have always been a delicate matter.

Through Mr Berri's militia, Syria has been trying to prevent the expansion of Islamic fundamentalism in the belief that the emergence of a strong the capital, where both sides religious force could eventually challenge the influence of Damascus over the Shia Muslims of the south and of

the Bekaa valley. Iran, which maintains more

teams of doctors and teachers. sucessful example that the Islamic revolution can be exported and is being accepted

quite well by large sectors of Lebanese Muslims. Friction between Mr Berri's men and Hezbollah reached

its peak on February 17, when Amal militiamen searching for a kidnapped senior American officer stormed several Hezbollah offices in southern Lebanon. Hezbollah has publicly

praised the abduction of Lieutenant-Colonel Richard William Higgins as a blow to "American imperialism."

Security chiefs of 60 airlines meet Mure than 60 airline security thizers posing as cleaners or board; they wilt be tired and

chiefs are to meet in Geneva airport workers before the hungry, growing beards and today to review measures to passengers boarded the plane. prevent bijackings.

The meeting was set up by the International Air Travel Association (lata) some time ago but is certain to concentrate on the fate of the hijacked Kuwait Airways 747.

The security men, who have been given no information other than that released through Tebran radin, are demanding to know how the hijackers managed to evade security precantions at Bangkok with grenades and bombs.

One theory is that the weapons were already on the aircraft - hidden by sympa-

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Although the plane had been officially sealed off, there was a constant flow of cleaners and other workers as it stood would have been possible for someone to plant the weapons for collection by their colleagues after take-off.

Captain Harry Clark, the British pilot who commanded the previous Kuwait Airways flight to be hijacked in 1984 spoke yesterday of wbat conditions would now be like on board the Boeing 747.

beginning to smell. The lavatories will be fool and the psychological pressure on everyone will be incredible." @ BANGKOK: That police on the tarmac for 15 bours. It are investigating the possibility that the bijackers may have

bribed airport workers to put weapons on the plane and at the same time denied reports that some suspects had been arrested (Neil Kelly writes).

Mr Charoon Pinthong. director of the Airports Authority of Thailand, said there were no closs yet and that the hijackers' weapons "They will not have slept may have been concealed on since the hijackers got on the aircraft before it arrived.

India blames Pakistan for arming Sikhs

Carlucci seeks to calm border tension

Defence Secretary, yesterday expressed Washington's concern over cross-border tension between India and Pakistan.

On the point of leaving Delhi for Islamahad after a series of meetings with Indian leaders, including the Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, he said that the subject of cross-border activities in Punjab had come up in his discussions, adding that the US would do all it could to bring about a relaxation of

tension. "We have suggested a series of confidence-building mea-sures," Mr Carlucci said. "We discourage any moves towards violence.'

The Indian Government is apparently carrying on a campaign to persuade world and local opinion that much of the problem in Punjab is to be blamed on the activities of the Pakistan Government in encouraging Sikh separatists.

The Prime Minister himself has often alluded in the past to Pakistan's role in the turmoil in the troubled north Indian state. The former Chief Minister of Punjab, Mr Surjit Singh Barnala, also used to make considerable play of the

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi Mr Frank Carlucci, the US problem he faced with a virtually unpoliceable border. Mr Gandhi declared at the weekend that it was "obvious" where the Sikh separatists

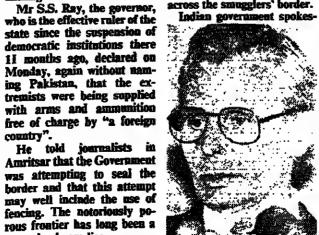
were getting their weapons from, though without actually naming Pakistan. Mr S.S. Ray, the governor, who is the effective ruler of the state since the suspension of democratic institutions there 11 months ago, declared on

Monday, again without naming Pakistan, that the extremists were being supplied with arms and ammu free of charge by "a foreign country' He told journalists in Amritsar that the Government was attempting to seal the border and that this attempt may well include the use of

smagglers' paradise. It is also true that sophisticated automatic assault rifles are circulated widely in Pakistan as a result of the vast inflow of arms and money to the Afghan war, and are freely available in many of the illicit markets in the tribal areas of the North West Frontier

Province. The Pakistan Government allegations, and the Pakistan

these from falling into the hands of bandits in the southern province of Sind, for example, and it is difficult to see how they would be able to stop them going to people determined to foment trouble across the smugglers' border.



Mr Carlucci: Discouraging moves towards violence. men are also briefing a number of Western journalists on the names of people and places blessing in their enterprise. It has proved impossible in

has been unable to prevent Government has always denied vehemently any such involvement. But it would plainly be in Pakistan's interest to keep the trouble in India's half of Punjab on the boil for as long as possible, if it could be done without endangering any other national

Mr Carlucci, for his part, declined to accept that Washington was responsible for increasing tension through its moves to supply more arms to Pakistan. "We have a longstanding and stable relationship with Pakistan," he said. "It is in our interests, and in the interest of the region, to have a stable and co-operative government in Islamabad."

Mr Carlucci indicated that the security aid programme to Pakistan would continue after a Russian withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Apart from a reference to India's "Light Combat Aircraft" project, on which he said co-operation was going well, he was much less specific where they allege the Sikhs about arms for India, insisting are receiving official Pakistan that "this is not some zerosum game, where what happens in one country has an the past to track down such impact on the other".

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When Herr Proksch bought

Sweet touch to Demel in the early 1970s, he joke - although, according to The womanizing owner of lost no time establishing Austrian Interior Ministry

Central Europe's leading con- above its chandeliered, panarms and computers, the club which he admitted was Romanian secret service, and based on P2, the infamous a clutch of Austrian coun- Italian freemasonry lodge. tesses are the uniquely Viennese ingredients of the latest scandal to rock Austria.

he celebrated Konditorei Demel, former bakers to the imperial and roval court in Vienna. Although the war-Lucona, in the Indian Ocean more than 10 years ago, when than the Austrian authorities have revealed an all-100familiar web of intrigue.

Suspicion first was aroused insurance of £30 million on carrying. As Socialist ministers stumbled over each other to stand as character witnesses for "old friend Udo" in fraud proceedings over the cash claim, speculation arose that the tweedjacketed cake shop owner and darling of Vienna society was involved in an altogether

deeper game.

The Club 45 in Vienna boasted as members almost Last month warrants were well as the president of the issued for the arrest of Herr Vienna police, the head of Udo Proksch, proprietor of Austrian intelligence and prominent figures in the financial

Many of these may not have been aware of the darker side as "sehr chic". rants were in connection with of the proprietor's activities. the sinking of a cargo sbip, the Dr Bruno Kreisky, Chancellor of Austria in the 1970s, his successor, Dr Fred Sinowatz, six lives were lost, investiga- and the present incumbent. Dr tions by journalists rather Franz Vranitzky, were regular It has since emerged that, by

this time, Herr Proksch was already on an Interior Minwhen a claim was lodged for istry list of alleged arms smugglers. Among the guns cargo the vessel was said to be reported to have been smuggled was the Scorpion automatic believed to have killed Aldo Moro, the Italian Prime Minister, in May 1978.

li has also become known that in 1957 Herr Proksch spent six months in the Soviet Union with bis close friead, Herr Rudi Wein, the owner of the legendary Cafe Gutruf, a

sione's throw from Demel. Herr Wein is never lost for a future.

documents based on the evifectioners, illegal trafficking in elled premises an exclusive dence of Eastern defectors, he is said to be a member of the

East German secret service.

Herr Proksch, who never without bis revolver, was a familiar sight among habitual party-goers in the capital, where his habit of firing a few shots into a stucco ceiling of some crumbling palace was seen by his bosts, in the words of one demi-monde countess.

Herr Proksch, enjoying the company of Austrian nobility, vative elements when he by the capital's police. insisted on installing in the Demel window each October a marzipan model of the burning Russian Winter Palace. Meringue effigies of Lenin were also unpopular with the

cafe's traditional clientele. This week, the handpicked Amazonian blonde waitresses in Demel were not saying if they knew of Herr Prokscb's whereabouts.

Viennese police who raided the premises recently found an enigmatic telex from the Philippines, Herr Prokscb deeply regretted, it stated, that in hospital for the foreseeable

Herr Wein confided: "A good boy at heart, he's prob-

But beneath Herr Wein's of the waitresses attired in went anywhere in Vienna black silk, disturbing questions are being asked. Hans Pretterbner, in his best-selling book The Lucona Case, notes the disturbingly easy penetration of Vienna by Eastern agents, who face only two years' imprisonment if discovered pursuing espionage activities on Austrian soil.

In Herr Pretterbner's eyes. more than one Eastern defecnonetheless scandalized Vien- 1or has died in suspicious nese society's more conser- circumstances while guarded

"There are more than 600 full-time members of the KGB just in Vienna," a Weslern intelligence expert estimated recently. As well as the Soviet Union, the Czechoslovaks and Romanians are also active in Vienna. For Herr Proksch, the Romanians were even prepared to supply falsified documenis to give him an alibi when he first faced investiga-

But however many wellplaced agents the East has had in Vienna. it is unlikely that any will match the baroque because of illness he would be dimensions of the colourful Herr Prokscb, whose return to the capital is eagerly awaited.

tion in 1985,

From Michael Binyon, Milwaukee

Massachusetts is now firmly back in the saddle as the winning a handsome and much-needed victory in Wisconsin over the Rev Jesse Jackson by 48 to 28 per cent.

The black Baptist preacher, despite drawing large crowds and enthusiastic sopport, did not win more than 23 per cent

of the white vote. Mr Dukakis, campaigning yesterday in New York, remarked with characteristic caution: "I hope it's a sign of things to come." With his victory also in the Colorado caucuses, he has now won two elections in two days, stalling the media-fed surge in the Jackson campaign and pulling ahead in the vital delegate



television advertising, came a distant third with only 17 per cent of the vote. Having now failed three times in a row to hreak through the 20 per cent barrier needed to gain matching federal funds, he is in danger of a sudden cut-off of half his money.

Governor Michael Dukakis of He has not won any victory outside his native South. Mr Gore has presented himself as Democratic front-runner after a conservative and more passionate alternative to Mr Duin attacking Mr Jackson's positions and lack of experi-ence. But his poor showing will dampeo his hopes in New York, where he has been the primary there on April 19.

Senator Paul Simon, who has remained doggedly in the race though virtually ignored by voters and media, received only 5 per cent io Wisconsin. His hopes for a breakthrough dashed, he is expected to announce today that he is suspending his campaign. He will oot officially withdraw, because that would automatically throw 60 of the delegates he woo io Illinois to Mr Jackson, the runner-up.

The Dukakis victory has again confounded experts who compared his polite receptions with the huge crowds and boisterous enthusiasm for Mr Jackson. But even io Kenosha, where 5,000 workers are about to he laid off when a car plant closes, white bluecollar voters preferred Mr Dukakis by a margin of 2 to 1.

Mr Jackson, who has stood with strikers and demonstrators on picket lines, was counting on disaffected whites to broaden his base. But though be won 95 per cent of the small black vote here, he



ceiling of white support. Some the big crowds were drawn from curiosity, treating him like a media star but refusing

to vote for him. Wisconsin was make-or-break for Mr Dukakis, the tortoise offering a low-key message of economic achievement that contrasted strikingly with Mr Jackson, the

of strong views. Mr Dukakis noted that, 28 years ago, Wisconsin was also the crucial primary that gave Senator John Kennedy his victory over Senator Hubert Humphrey. Ironically, both Mr Dukakis and Vice-President George Bush were born io the

same' Massachusetts area as

President Kennedy - and

former Presidents Joho Ad-

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Hand signals: Mr Jackson, left, talking to students in Tempe, Arizona, and Mr Dukakis at a New York press conference. passionate oratory and a range ams and John Quincy Adams. Dukakis, whose support is

The Wisconsin turn-out was one of the highest of all the primaries - a reflection of the duties by this liberal electorate of largely German stock. Among blacks, the turn-out was double that of 1984. Fine spring weather and a keenlyfought local contest for mayor of Milwaukee also helped.

The big turn-out aided Mr will be held on Saturday week.

considered "soft" compared with the more committed

supporters of Mr Jackson, Mr Jackson took comfort from his second place here. Only two weeks ago, such a large share of the white vote would have been unthinkable. He is now in Arizona, where

the next round of caucuses

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Bare-knuckle battle begins for New York

New York's gritty political bosses cleared the decks yes-terday for a no-holds-barred, racially-based battle for the state's Democratic nomination that, according to local ex-perts, will make the campaign se far look like a Sunday-

Mayor Ed Koch, a selfd know-all who keeps up a daily stream of concity's affairs, set the tone for the April 19 contest with the

"Jews would have to be crazy to vote for Jackson," he said, citing Mr Jackson's views on Israel and his sym-pathies with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"Silence today is not golde Silence today is chicken," said the mayor, who admits that

titute a quarter of the state's Democratic voters, have not rgotten Mr Jackson's anti-Jewish gaffes in his 1984

should he called "Hymie-tows", and adding that he

would not choose to live there. Despite his new moderation and the recruitment of the Jewish Mr Gerald Austin as his campaign manager, Mr Jackson is the target of aggressive Jewish campaigns, including one by an organ-ization known as the Jackson

With Mr Jackson virtually owning the black vote, which accounted for about 24 per cent of the 1984 primary turnout, the Democratic race is largely a fight for the sympathy of the white and Hispanic voters in New York City and its emburbs. and its suburbs. Three-quarters of the state's

17.5 million people live in the area, a simmering cauldron of political animosities and hardboiled ethnic loyalties. "If you can make it in New

York, you can make it any-where," is an old politicians' Campaigning in New York means learning to say "how are ya?" in half-a-dozen Cen-

tral European languages and eating an endless supply of pizza, knishes, hot dogs, gyros and other ethnic fodder. Mr Michael Dukakis is well qualified. The son of Greek migrants with a Jewish

wife, he also speaks fluent Spanish, which is an im-portant plus with the 5 per cent of the electorate who from Latin America. Mrs Kitty Dukakis has already promised to hold a Passover meal in the By tradition, candidates

must defer to New York's own foreign policy, which means developing a strong interest in such topics as British brutality n Northern Ireland and nearfanatical loyalty to the state of

The late Bella Ahzug, a fiery New York congresswoman, smomed it up when she snarled at Mr Koch during a debate a few years ago: "Don't

enator who sees New York as his last-ditch effort to gain any vision. Mr Koch has all but chances with the Jewish vote.

York and Mr Koch's old rival that could make or break a

But New York has never met a liberal it did not like, and Mr Jackson is out to make

Delegates, votes won by candidates

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quietly begun to move behind Mr Jackson, in marked con-trast to their hostility to him in

Mr Jan Pierce, regional president of the Communication Workers' Union, said: "I'm for him because he's for ps. In an era of union-bustin been reluctant to demonstrate his support of union rights."

The candidates have began investing big money in television advertising. Mr Du-kakis has set aside \$1.5 million (£800,000) and Mr Gore, who has hired Mr David Garth, a powerful media ad-

m release of prisoners.

According to local opinion polls, held before the outcome Dukakis holds the lead in New York, with 40 per cent, compared with 30 per cent for Mr Jackson and about 8 per cent

The other candidate, Sen ator Pani Simon, was advised by one local newspaper yesterday to spare the bother and tourist sights.

Fighting in Ethiopia

Addis Ababa tells aid workers to go

From Andrew Bucocke, Nairobi

the Ethiopian Government is ordering all foreign aid workers out of the drought and war stricken northern provinces of Eritrea and Tigre in a move which threatens the breakdown of food distribution to ao estimated three million hungry people.

The Government is understood to he unable to guarantee the safety of relief agency workers in large areas of the north hig gains by both the Eritrean People's Libera-tion Front and the Tigre People's Liberation Front in recent offensives. It also wants them out of the way while its forces mount a large-scale counteroffensive against the guerrillas.

Although the Ethiopian Army is heavily supported by the Soviet Union and Cuba, it appears to have been unprepared for the simultaneous attacks launched by the experienced guerrillas of Eri-trea and Tigre who have been fighting for secession for 27 and 13 years respectively.

The rebels had already seri-

ously disrupted relief efforts by attacking food convoys, and many towns and food distribution centres had to rely on an international airlift.
This applied particularly in
Tigre, where the effects of

drought are most severe and the guerrillas were already unable to bring in sufficient food from Sudan for the areas current offensive.

The Eritrean rebels, who are held responsible for most attacks oo food convoys, are understood to have enough food for the areas they control. The relief agencies had

promises not to attack con-voys clearly marked with

hoped to improve food dis tribution after recent rebel

Relief agency officials say that agency flags and unescorted by the army. It is unlikely, however, that local personnel will be able to undertake such convoys amid the expected

heavy fighting.
Early indications are that the crews operating the 10 aircraft in the airlift will not be affected by the evacuations, but their efficiency may be seriously reduced. The airlift has been supplying 12,000 tonnes a month in Figre, about half the province's

needs.
The Ethiopian Relief and Rehabilitation Commission

Geneva (Reuter) - Audrey Hepburn, the former film ac-tress who visited Ethiopia as a Unicef ambassador, appealed esterday for emergency aid more than two million children facing starvation there. "They desperately need all the help we can give them able to me," she said.

may be the only agency left operating in the north, but the rebels are unlikely to respect its neutrality.
The Government has mean

while secured much-needed reinforcements for its operations in the north. After Ethiopia dropped its demand that Somalia recognize the current border in the Ogaden region before negotiations could take place, an agreement to resume diplomatic rela-tions and withdraw troops was reached at the weekend, free-ing much-needed reinforcements for the Ethiopians.

over the Ogaden, which is populated by Somalis, in 1977-78 and the absence of



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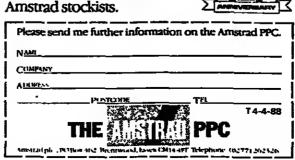
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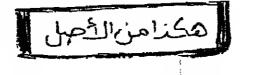
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Nicaraguan peace initiative

Contra complaints threaten to sink talks in Managua

From David Gollob, Managua

The Nicaraguan peace initiative, launched two weeks ago with an unprecedented ceasefire agreement and an undertaking to pursue oegotiations towards a definitive settlepermanent peace. ment of the civil war, has run into serious difficulties.

The Managua Government and the Contra rebels have accused each other of violating the Sapoa accords, named after the Nicaraguan border post where - to the surprise of most observers here - the two sides signed a peace pact on

Most of the complaints have come from the Contras. Far from raising doubts about the commitment of the Sandinista Government, the Con-tras' protestations suggest a sudden reluctance to allow the peace process to reach success.

President Ortega said: "No sooner did they get their funds from Congress than they began stalling", reflecting the Sandinistas' growing conviction that the Contras either signed the Sapoa agreement in bad faith or that their political leadership has buckled under pressure from the Reagan Administration, which opposes the peace plan.

On Saturday President Reagan approved a \$48 miltioo (£25 million) package of non-military aid. The same day, a Contra spokesman in Miami announced that the rebels had decided unitaterally to postpone a meeting which



General Ortega: Denies deal on release of prisoners.

was to have taken place in osition politicians, and to hold Managua yesterday, Arranged under the terms of the Sapoa pact, it was to have been the first step in the search for

Among reasons given by the Contras for the postponement were the fact that the opposition newspaper, La Prensa, has recently been unable to publish due to a shortage of newsprint. They also complained that some prisoners whose liberty they had sought were not included in the amnesty granted 100 political detainees under the terms of

the Sapoa pact. A Contra official admitted privately that the real problem was that the rebels occided more time to prepare for the regotiations. The Sapoa pact had thrown the Contras into disarray and caused dissent from hardline military commanders unwilling to consider an accommodation with the revolutionary Government.

In a letter to the Contras made public oo Tuesday, the Nicaraguan Defence Minister and chief negotiator, General Humberto Ortega, denied that there had been an undertaking to release specific rebel pris-oners. And he said the problems of La Prensa were "beyond the cootext of the ceasefire talks".

He declared: "The newsprint shortage ... is not the fault of the Government."

The Cootras also objected to the quality of their hotel accommodation in Managua. And on Tuesday, at a press conference io Miami, three senior Contra leaders threatened oot merely to postpone the talks but to cancel them unless new demands about the arrangements were met.

Señor Adolfo Calero, one of the Contra leaders, said; "The programme of the Government is for our virtual impriscoment in our hotel. We are demanding that we be free when we are in Managua."

The Contras insist that they be given unrestricted freedom to travel throughout Managua, to confer with opp-

press conferences. They also want their 60-member delegation put up at a luxury hotel of

The Government rejected these demands as unacceptable. Major-General Joaquin Cuadra, Vice-Minister of Defence and second in command to General Ortega, said: "This is supposed to be a meeting to discuss the terms of a settlement of the conflict, oot an occasion to launch a political campaign."

The 60-day ceasefire which started on Good Friday and was supposed to provide a better climate for the negotiations has meanwhile begue to crumble. Though Managua has accused the Contras of violating the Sapoa accords only by failing to turn up for yesterday's meeting, a military official has admitted that 22 government soldiers and civil-ians have died in Contra attacks over the past few days.

The Contras accuse the Government of launching offensive actions to drive potential civilian supporters from ceasefire zones into which their forces are theoretically supposed to regroup hy the middle of this mooth.

Parallel negotiations over the deficition of the zones did resume this week, hut they have proceeded at a snail's pace, due in part to the lack of puoctuality of the Contra delegation.



Señor Calero: "We demand that we be free in Managua."

THE TIMES THURSDAY APRIL 7 1988 وكنامن الأحل OVERSEAS NEWS Matador's surprise in the afternoon



A Spanish matador looking on in astonishment as a somersaulting hull hurtles towards him. The incident happened during Sedor Fernando Cepeda's appearance in the hullring at the weekend corrida in Arles in south-eastern France.

Mexicans haunted by death squad era

From Alan Rohinson, Mexico City

ainst Repression has mixed feelings aboot Señor Zacarias Osorio, a Mexican Army deserter who claims he was part of a military death squad between 1977 and 1982. He has won political asylum io Canada hy pleading that his return to Mexico would mean his own death.

"He saved his life by admittiog he is a murderer," a National Front spokesman said bitterly. "Bot his tes-timony is the first from the other side of the fence that belps to corroborate hundreds from Mexicans who were kidnapped, tortured and witnessed executions.

But even the militant National Front does not claim to have proof that there are still military death squads in Mexico. "But we know they did exist," he said.

Señora Rosario Ibarra de Piedra is leader of Mexico's says, "and all testify they were human rights movement and held in clandestine jails". the founder, in 1977, of the Some say they were in Mili-

Mexico's National Front Ag- Committee for Defence of tary Camp No 1 in Mexico Prisoners, Persecuted and Missing People and Exiles. Before 1975 she was a placid housewife. But that year her son, Jesus, disappeared, presumably because of his leftwing activities. Señora Ibarra believed that

the Government was responsible and started a search for her son. She made cootact with hundreds of relatives of other missing people, founded the committee and eventually united it with other homan rights organizations in the National Front. Now, at 60, she is the presidential candidate of the left-wing Revolutionary Workers' Party for the July election and has been twice nominated for the Nobel

Peace Prize. There are now 543 names oo her list of missing persons. The committee has rescued many political prisoners, she

City. Others were in La Hoya Military Camp in the state of Coahuila, or in the Icacos Naval Base in Acapulco. Some have described being in jails run hy the former Federal Security Directorate (now renamed the Directorate of Investigation and National Security, answerable to the Interior Ministry). odmitting they made a mistake and that they broke their own

"Many of those who got out came to us and said they saw other missing persons while inside. We believe many are still alive," she said. Some prisoners had been held for between six months and three years, and others had been incarcerated for as long as 10 years before being seen again. "Three years ago a young man told me he had seen my son. If he was around then, he

could still be alive now," Señora Ibarra said. In 1978 a hunger strike by human rights groups in Mexico City helped to persuade President López Portillo to

decree an amnesty law. About 1,500 political prisoners were freed, though the Government officially continued to deny their existence. In the following 10 years another 148 missing persons reappeared after pressure by the human rights groups. Señora Ibarra believes the Government has not released the 543 oo the list today "because they would be

She said that the National Front against Repression uses political acts and international pressure. Generally after someone disappears we start action right away. But the Government does not say Look, here he is', when they let somebody out. They let them go on a side-street or an alley, give them a hit of money and threaten them so they won't talk. They always come

to us and tell us what

Flooding disaster in eastern **Australia**

Sydney - The south-east of Queensland, Australia's sunshine coast, was occlared a natural disaster area yesterday ofter 17 in of rain in a week brought flood chaos (Our Correspondent writes).

State emergency services evacuated thousands of people as the deluge continued in Queensland and northern New South Wales.

Aircraft fire

Tokyo (AFP) - A South African Government inquiry found that fire in the baggage hold and a faulty fire-fighting system caused the November crash over the Indian Ocean of a South African Airways plane in which t59 people died, the Asahi newspaper reported. An explosion had been suspected

Fraud inquiry

Ousgadongou (AFP) - The younger brother of Thomas Sankara, the leader of Burkina Faso in West Africa who was assassinated in a coup last October, was held in nn embezzlement investigation.

Monk shot Colombo - A Buddhist monk

police fired on students demonstrating against colleagues' detentions and college clo-sures at Kelaniya University.

was injured when Sri Lankan

Return to US

Hanoi (AFP) - Vietnam gave the remains of 27 US servicemen to an American delegation in the largest such handover since the end of the Vietnam War io 1975.

Nato talks

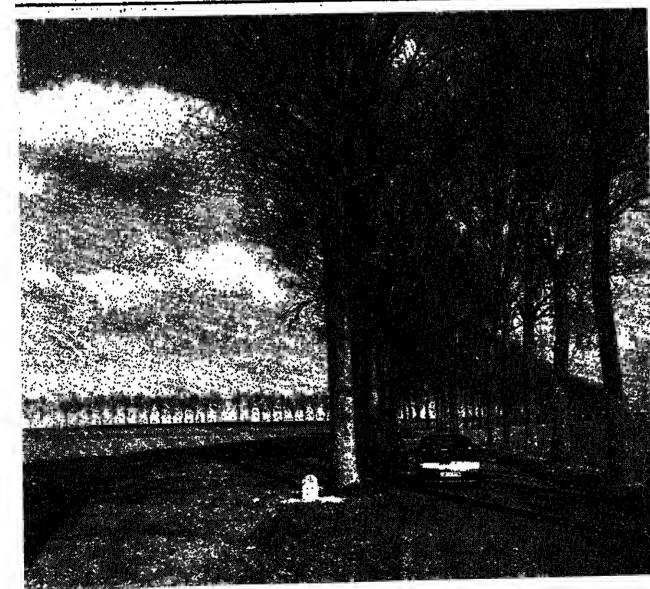
Madrid - General John Galvin, the Supreme Allied Commander for Europe, arrived here on a three-day visit

Young protest Dhaka (AP) - Nearly 2.000

children of Pakistanis stranded in Bangladesh since 1971 marched through the streets demanding to be sent home.

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Freedom fighter in the Knesset

THE TIMES PROFILE

YITZHAK SHAMIR

are. The words are those of Menachem Begin, but they sum which his successor as leader of the Herut Movement, Yitzhak Shamir, is now taking on the world. The Israeli Prime Minister has spent most of his 72 years fighting seemingly overwhelming odds to establish a Greater Israel stretching at least from the Jordan to the Mediterranean. Fighting has become a habit. The current pressures on him from the United Nations, the EEC and the United States do not stand any more of a chance of breaking him than did the threat of Russian pogroms, imprisonment and exile by the British, and even rejection for years by most of his fellow Jews.

He is short and barrel-chested with the clipped moustache and haircut of a sergeant-major and a voice like an asthmatic guard dog. As physically fit as a man half his age, he wears a fixed, all-purpose grin that would be the envy of any poker player, Like a successful card-player, he

never reveals any more than he wants. He answers questions with well-tested clichés which allow for all possible interpretation. He is currently using the technique to avoid telling the Americans that he has rejected their peace plan and timetable, even though it is obvious that he has. The technique has turned him into a successful public politician even though he has spent most of bis working life as an underground agent, freedom fighter or terrorist, staying out of the limelight.

Yitzhak Jazeroicki, as he was born during the First World War at Ruzinoy in the Polish part of the Russian Empire, quickly be-came a militant Zionist. He joiced the movement as a law student in Warsaw, and in 1935, long before he had finished his studies, he decided he should practise what he believed and left for Palestine to enrol at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, as part of a mass emigration from Eastern Europe which hoped to populate the promised Jewish bomeland.

He had scarcely arrived, however, when the 1936 Arab Revolt finally led Britain to retreat from its 1917 commitment, in the Balfour Declaration, to set up a Jewish homeland. The young law student realized that there was no possibility of diplomatic pressure on Britain reopening Palestine to Jewish refugees from Europe. He saw that the Jews inside the Mandate area were in danger of becoming a vulnerable minority. The

1939 White Paper, which limited Jewish immigrants to 75,000 over the next five years, turned the subject of the right of self-government of Palestine by Jews into a pressing need for them. Despite the outbreak of the Second World War, in which the Jews realized Britain was the only country standing against the Nazis, the Haganah (underground army) prepared its battle for a statehood.

For some, including both the future Herut prime ministers, the Haganah was not active enough. They believed that only when Britain realized that it was up against a real and dangerous miliant Zionist force fighting for a Jewish state was there any chance of its creation. Begin led Irgun, the national military organization, while Shamir — as he later became was the second commander of the tiny and more extreme LEHY,

better known as the Stern Gang.

While the war continued, the militant groups smuggled refugees from Europe into Palestine. They financed themselves by robberies and bank raids and "Yitzhak Yesternitsky" became one of the most wanted men on the Mandate police force books. Arrested in 1941, he later took over the Stern Gang and, when the war ended, used it to oppose British rule. In July 1946, the gang blew up the King David Hotel, the British headquarters, killing 88, including 15 Jews.

Shamir was caught and interned in Eritrea but escaped to France, where he was granted asylum. In May 1948, on the declaration of the state of Israel, he returned to fight with the Stern Gang for full independence.

When the Swedish diplomat Count Folke Bernadotte arrived as the UN mediator in 1948, believing he would achieve peace by bringing back the Arab refugees, he was lobbied by the "Fighters for the Freedom of the Land of Israel", as the gang called itself. The banners said: "Stockholm is yours. Jerusalem is ours. So long as there is a single enemy of our cause, we shall have a bullet in a magazine for him." On September 16, a gang member emptied a machinc-gun magazine into the Count.

Just as the King David bomb had been a decisive factor in Britain giving up the Mandate, so the death of Count Bernadotte speit the end of UN attempts to impose the plan to partition Palestine and keep Jerusalem as an international city. The Stern Gang, by the use of violent methods heartily disliked by most Jews at the time, had played a crucial role in bringing about the



The boundaries of Israel were no more than ceasefire lines, and there were many who believed that inevitably the final borders would stretch at least to the River Jordan. David Ben-Gurion himself said the state had been established only in "a portion of the land of Israel"

The leader of the Stern Gang now changed his Polish name to "Shamir" - it means "dill weed" and was a favourite underground codename. For seven years he went into private husiness in Israel, then in 1955 he became a Mossad secret service agent in Europe for about 10 years, returning to Jerusalem when he was 50.

was only in 1970 that he joined Begin in Herut and began his career in the party, working first on immigra-tion policy and then on parorganization. Elected to the Knesset in 1973, he was made Speaker after the Likud election ctory in 1977. He became Foreign Minister in 1980, taking over as Prime Minister and Likud leader when Begin resigned in 1983. With the dead-heat general

election of 1984 he pragmatically agreed to enter a national coalition government, taking over again as Prime Minister from his arch-rival. Shimon Peres, in October 1986. That was when the campaign for the next election - still due in November - began in earnest. The one issue is peace, which has eluded Israel for 40 years.

Peres is prepared to trade some of the land Israel occupies in return for that recognition. Shamir is not, and backs Jewish settlers who want to live in the territories captured by Israel in the 1967 Six-Day War. Shamir argues that the Arabs see all of Israel as "occupied land", and that to hand over Nablus or Gaza would be the first step to handing over Tel Aviv or Haifa.

Not personally very religious. Shamir accepts the rabbinical advice that "it is forbidden by the Torah for all Jews, including the Israeli Government, to return even an inch of the territory of Greater Israel in our hands". He claims that Israel has already handed over land to obtain the peace with Egypt, and sees no reason why the Palestinian Arabs should not leave to find homes in the 22 Arab countries, just as Jews from Arab countries had to leave their homes for Israel. He is determined that there will never be a Palestinian state, even if the Arabs in "Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip" are allowed to run their own affairs.

e wants peace, but is not afraid of war, which he sees has brought advantages to Israel over the past 40 years. It led to the enforced mass migration from Arab countries which brought Israel the population it needed; it has created one nation and purpose from the many people of the diaspora; it has extended Israel's controlled territory to something close to the biblical borders envisaged by the early Zionists.

For Shamir, there can be no secure peace if land is handed back, because he feels this would be seen as a sign of weakness that press on to the Mediterranean. He fights shy of an international peace conference because he be-lieves that a pre-condition would

be Israel's agreement to hand back land. He would be happy to argue Israel's case before any conference in the world, but he is not prepared to attend a negotiating session designed to oblige Israel to leave one inch of the land it now controls. He is not prepared to make any concessions in the face of violence in the Occupied Territories. He recently summed up his philosophy in two terse answers to questions from journalists. "What is your advice to the settlers?" one asked. "Be strong," he said. "And what is your advice to the Pales-tinians?" "Be quiet," he warned.

It is the kind of tough response which is admired in Israel, even by his many enemies. Shamir is res-pected as a man who stands foursquare for his belief in a Greater Israel and who has the will to fight for it against any odds. Many think him wrong, but none doubts his patriotism or courage. He lacks the subtlety to be a great statesman, or the charisma to be loved, but inside the country he belped to create he personifies the battling spirit of modern Israel.

Ian Murray

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Foreign Minister. October 1986: Took over as Prime Minister.

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A case of discredit where credit's due

Sotheby's were revelling in their results, with a 1987 turnover of £600 million announced for the former, and £850 million for the latter.
Nobody thought of sending any of the profits in the direction of the academic community, to which a fair proportion of the credit for the respective profit increases - 49 per cent for Christie's, 39 per cent for Sotheby's - is due.

Auction houses rely extensively on outside specialists, picking their brains at a moment's notice, quoting them liberally in the catalogue, particularly when the opinion is favourable. Last month, John Martin's "Ass-uaging of the Waters" — an enormous oil painting depicting the moment when the Great Flood abated - fetched a record price for the artist of £495,000 at Sotheby's. Much of the resounding catalogue entry - which revealed how the idea for the painting came from Prince Albert - was supplied, gratis, by the Martin expert, Michael Campbell.

Despite the hours of labour involved, academics are rarely paid - apart from occasions gestures such as a case of wine at Christmas. The fact is that the taxpayer, in footing the bill for academic work, is inadvertently subsidizing Sotheby's profits.



SARAR JANE CHECKLAND A weekly look at

the art world

"There is a mood of concern and perplexity about it all," says Dr Marcia Pointon, a member of the executive committee of the Association of Art Historians, 1.000 strong. "We would really like to devise a code of practice. People ring you up and expect you to deliver your knowledge

on a plate, when you have worked for years to acquire it. Dealers are by and large more scrupulous, doing much of their own research. Auctioneers want the whole What particularly irks university academics is that, while they are doing all this research, funds for univer-sities and colleges are being

our libraries are under-funded," says Pointon, a lec-

expert on Edward Lear, is completely freelance, and is therefore more concerned with self-preservation. "To become an authority on the a very costly process, in terms of both time and money," she says. Freelance art historians, depend for their living upon the knowledge they have acquired, as any professional does... I cannot see why dealers and auctioneers should expect to use that

There are no simple solutions. Most respectable art historians are terrified of becoming tarred with Bernard Berenson's brush. The name of early 20th-century art historian was synonymous with probity until it was discovered after his death that he had given his opinions for a fee, on occasion getting a cut from the art dealer Lord Duveen. In the 1970s, one London agent says, German collectors refused to buy any painting that had not been certificated by a particular

Vivien Noakes, the world

life and work of any painter is knowledge without payment, any more than they would go to their doctor or lawyer and ask his advice for nothing".

German specialist - but, towards the end of his life, the specialist's wife was writing



the certificates for anyone who

would pay.

Another complication is the practice of reciprocity, where-by specialists, whether financed by the public or private sector, are often supplied with photographs and catalogues by dealers and auctioneers. "But it is nothing like a quid pro quo," Pointon says.

Many academics are unaware of the potential legal sting if their advice is wrong. 'My legal advisers inform me that if you give an opinion you become legally liable." Pointon says. "If you take money for it, you become even more liable."

university departments, but, Pointon says, "that is a drop in the ocean when you think the whole entity is based on scholarship". She suggests that one solution might involve auction houses "investing in the academic world".

That would still leave peopie like Vivien Noakes with-out reimbursment. "One longs for the whole thing to be established on a formal basis, for the doctor does not risk losing his patients if he sends in his bill. I suppose the danger is that many dealers or auction houses will go ahead without involving the expert, and that more works will be

Sotheby's and Christie's have put money into certain

offered with insubstantial authentification."

mental issues. They will know what to do to raise pressure and get issues resolved. We hope to persuade people to start projects, such as improv-ing a polluted canal, cleaning up a piece of land, or taking part in energy conservation

The council's team will also visit local industrialists who are faced with the problem of disposing of increasingly hazardons waste. Every business in Coventry's industrial triangle will be asked about the waste it generates and in-formed of the opportunities for

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itizens of Coventry, accustomed to the pitch of political canvassers, evangelists and double-glazing salesmen, are bracing themselves for some new doorstep patter:

Over the next few months. a council team will knock on about 80,000 doors in the city's industrial heartland ia an EEC-backed exercise designed to coax out public attitudes on wider pollution issues such as acid rain, as well as more local concerns, such as litter, traffic noise and air pollution.

Philip Turner, of Coventry City Council's environmental

health department, is the programme's co-ordinator. He says his team will seek to preach to the unconverted. "We are not looking for people who are already interested. We want to find out what's bothering the people who don't know where to complain and who are not already switched

cut. "We are short of books,

People will be asked what they throw away, where they throw it, and what they would be prepared to recycle: paper, glass, and household chemicals. The plan is to launch much more ambitious cycling projects than municipal bottle bank.

The team will also counsel

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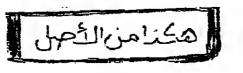
residents on the safe handling of waste materials produced by domestic cleaning or car main tenance, such as solvents, wood preservatives, and potentially carcinogenic diesel soct.

The team will also give advice on energy conservation and landscape improvement. Coventry was nominated as

nonstration recycling city in the recently-concluded European Year of the Environ-ment, but the city council extended the brief to take in a wider environmental assessment. Turner believes the exercise, which will cover about a quarter of Coventry's 350,000 citizens, is unique in its scope as an analysis of a city's environmental ills and as a prospectus for

"At the end of the day we will have a population which is much more aware of environ-

Gareth Huw Davies



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Back to their roots

Baldness is often thought of as a disease of the male ego; women who lose their hair do not agree. Barbara Lamb reports on how hair is lost - and regained

t first glance, Elizabeth Steel's lustrous wavy hrown hair looks like her own. Her hair looks like her own. Her beautifully made wig is in the style she used to wear when her hair was thick and glossy, as the photographs in her sitting room remind her. Steel suffers from alopecia areata, which spread from an innocent looking tiny hald patch to her hair looking tiny bald patch to her hair coming out in haodfuls every time she brushed it. Within a matter of weeks she was bald except for a small clump that mercifully hung on at the back. Now, for the first time in six years, the hair on her crown and at the sides has begun to grow

Elizabeth Steel is the "pen name" that she adopted when she decided to write about going bald for a women's magazine, an article to which hundreds of women responded, describing cases similar to her own, or more severe afflictions such as alopecia totalis, where all scalp hair is lost, or alopecia universalis, the loss of body hair as well. As Wendy Jones, her real name, she had been working as a freelance television presenter and producer in the Midlands when she started to lose her hair in her thirties.

Like many people, Steel thought that baldness was solely a male affliction. In fact women can suffer from male pattern baldness (alopecia androgenitica) as well as other forms of alopecia. According to Dr David Fenton, a leading dermatologist at St Thomas's Hospital in London who runs his own clinic for alopecia patients, male pattern on "common" patients, male pattern or "common" baldness can be inherited from either parent by children of either sex. In women the effect is a general sparseness of hair rather than the classic bare crown and temples seen in men. Alopecia areata (patchy scalp loss) can happen at any age and affects men and women equally (although at his clinic Fenton sees twice as many women as men), with 44 per cent of sufferers affected before they are 21 (10 per cent of Fenton's patients are children). A third of sufferers will recover completely, and a third go on to develop the more severe forms of alopecia.

Figures for the incidence of hair loss in women are hard to establish; Steel is convinced from the letters she now receives (up to 300 a day) that they are far higher than hospital statistics suggest — in part because few sufferers will approach a GP, let alone visit a hospital. In America the results of a recently published epidemiological study, conducted by Dr Sigfrid Müller, a world authority on hair loss, at the Mayo Clinic, Minnesota, show that the incidence of alopecia is on the' increase in both men and women.

Müller confidently predicts that, if the trend continues, by the mid-21st, century one in 100 women will suffer from the disease.

While it is generally known what causes alopecia — an auto immune

The drug Minoxodil has recently been hailed as a treatment for hair While it is generally known what



Bewigged: After she began to lose hair, television presenter Wendy Jones set up a support group for women like her

'A very high percentage of patients have had some sort of severe shock'

disease in which the lymphocytes in the immune system overwork and reject the hair as foreign — what triggers it and how to stop it progressing is still unknown. While researching a book on the subject (to be published by Thorsons later this year) Steel has ecome convinced that there is a connection with the contraceptive pill. It is more widely suggested that stress may be a factor, and while Steel thinks this "an old-fashioned view" she says the type of woman who writes to her most is "in her late twenties to early thirties, working like mad in a career and trying to keep a family going". Femon feels there is no typical sufferer, but says: "People have discovered that stress can have an effect on the immune system. A very high percentage of alopecia patients have had some sort of severe shock or experienced an extremely stressful situation, but there is a significant number who have the disease and do not have any form of stress."

Steel has set up a support network for sufferers called Hairline International, which now has more than 1,000 members (90 per cent of whom are women) both here and abroad. It is the only one of its kind in the country and doctors and dermatologists contribute to its monthly newsletter.

approved last month by the Com-mittee on the Safety of Medicines, which said it has been shown to restore hair in a significant number of cases. Minoxodil is already known and approved as a treatment for high blood pressure; its additional property was noticed by patients taking it in tablet form for its original purpose. At the moment the lotion, developed by the Upjohn pharmaceutical company, is only available privately and Upjohn says it is likely to work only on those with mild or recent baldness. The safety committee considered it to have no noticeable effect whatsoever on women. But Steel believes that it was experimental formulation of Minoxodil, discovered by trial and error by her dermatologist, which triggered her regrowth, and she feels that the drug could give hope to thousands. She also has high hopes of another drug to help with severe cases. Several Hairline members throughout the country are now taking part in trials of diphencyprone, an organic phenol derivative. One woman's hair has grown back for the first time in 54

Fenton, whose clinic has a waiting list, often refers patients to Steel for psychological support as well as practical advice and feels this service is vital for parents of affected children.

loss. It is present in Regaine, the lotion When patients first visit him, Fenton will try to ascertain what sort of hair loss they are suffering from, and will carry out blood tests to eliminate the possibility of an underactive thyroid or iron deficiency,

"There is yet another condition known as telogen effluvium which is particularly common after childhirth. although sometimes a high fever or childhood illness such as measles can bring it on. This is a condition equivalent to a human moult, but there is almost 100 per cent recovery within six to nine months."

Fenton has faith in Minoxodil as a treatment for mild cases of alopecia and in a trial with Dr John Wilkinson in High Wycombe he found 50-70 per cent of patients with patchy alopecia had some regrowth. "But for the people who needed it most we didn't manage to regrow any at all.

"The next question was, will it work on common baldness, a much bigger problem? We found for both men and women Minoxodil worked best un those who had started balding within the last few years. Even if it does not make hair regrow it can at least hold it in check or slow down the loss."

(2) Times Newspapers Ltd 1988 Hairline can be contacted at Hill Vellacourt, Post and Mail House, Colmore Circus, Birmingham B4 6AT.

When depression becomes a killer

MEDICAL

BRIEFING

It is the Oxfordshire's coroner's duty to decide whether Mrs Linda Mockford murdered her children and then committed snicide, but the widespread assumption that this is what happened has

Dr Thomas Stuttaford arisen because the story is typical of one of the extreme reactions found in

severe depression.

Given the feeling of utter hopelessness and total disenchantment with the world that a depressed parent may feel, such actions can be understood as n manifestation of misdirected love. The mother, or father, feels anable to cope with his or her own inadequacies, cannot give the children the protection they need, and is unable to guard them from the sinful, wretched place the world has become. Suicide then seems, in that distressed state, the only answer — but if it is the answer for the parent it. also must be the answer for the children the parent so loves. Unable to let them bear the suffering they are assumed to share, the parent

murders them.

One of the more gratifying experiences for a doctor is to talk to patients who have been frustrated in their smicidal and/or murderous intentions, and marvel with them at the pleasure life still has to offer once their perception has been cleared with appropriate treatment, often of only a few weeks' duration.

Once acute depression has been diagnosed it usually responds remarkably well to treatment; in the young and middle aged, the classic pattern of sleep disturbance, weight loss, a less pessimistic mood as the day wears nn, loss of appetite, libido, and enthusiasm for the future usually makes the diagnosis obvious. A few carefully chosen but direct questions about suicidal intentions are rarely if ever resented; usually they are welcomed with relief.

The problem in the elderly is not so clear-cut; the signs and symptoms are hinred by

Stuttaford other features of old age. Dr Catherine Oppenheimer, a consultant psychiatrist at Oxford, writing in Mims magazine, reviews the present treatment available for the elderly depressive and discusses its diagnosis. She concludes that doctors have to be very watchful if they are not to miss a few cases.

She looks for three features: a change in behaviour, a history of depression in younger life and morbid thoughts. She says recent research at Duke University, North Carolina, has shown that the normal reaction, however old people are, is to continue to look forward to the future, however limited it may be. In Dr Oppenheimer's view a loss of enthusiasm for life is a pointer to an underlying depressive illness, which can be alleviated by any of the standard methods of treatment.

Mistakes in diagnosis can arise if the natural slowing of intellect found in old age,

which in extreme cases could be labelled as dementia, is not differentiated from the slow, confused, repetitive thoughts of the elderly patient who is depressed. Others may become agitated and restless, symptoms which can be misdiagnosed as indicating anxiety, or deluded, which might suggest a paranoid illness were it not that the delusions of old age are laced with feelings of guilt, self-deprecation

Early treatment would reduce the number of people who end a useful life by drowning themselves in the dyke or hanging in n barn.

Life classes



One foreign woman journalist recently commented that it is only in England that you can make a

good guess about a man's an's class; 12 per cent of the social background by studying women designated by the the material from which his registrar general as belonging socks are made, and confirm it from the style of his underpants. Class differences, however, have a medical as well as sartorial significance, as different social groups have a very different susceptibility to diseases and psychological problems.

Registrar General social classes four and five (essentially manual workers) have a very much higher incidence of nearly all the killer diseases, and in consequence have a markedly reduced expectation of life. In a report from the University of Southampton Dr D.J.P. Barker and Ms Julie Morris have found a close correlation between appendicitis and the provision of bathrooms, hot water and lavatories. The poorer the housing, the lower the standard of hygiene possible, and the more likely the patient is to suffer from gastro-intestinal and chest infection, and appendicitis, which it appears is a sequel to these infections. As standards of housing have improved the number of cases of appendicitis have fallen

Another report, from Oxford University (published in the British Medical Journal) finds sexual problems in women to be related to,

dramatically.

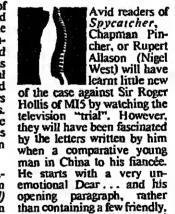
among other factors, age and social class. Not unexpectedly the older the woman is the plications of the abdication greater her likelihood of experiencing difficulties. Impaired sexual interest, a loss of enthusiasm for sex as opposed to physical response, showed a definite correlation to a womto classes one and two (essentially of the professional class), and randomly selected from two Oxford group practices, had a loss of libido; the numbers rose to 18 per cent of class three patients (blue collar

social classes four and five. Although the Oxford psy-chiatrists who carried out the survey suggested that general practitioners should look out for sexual problems among women patients, they added that few appeared to express any desire for treatment.

level and its equivalents), and

25 per cent in those from

Pain in the back



passionate or even personal

crisis. The commentators use this as evidence of his loyalty to the Crown, but looked at clinically it could be seen rather more as an extreme example of emotional detachment, or even emotional blunting useful qualities for

either a spy or a spycatcher. Television viewers will have also noticed that the Americans giving evidence remark on Hollis's hunch ck, rarely if ever mentioned by British writers. A hunchback deformity is often associated with idiopathic kyphoscoliosis, a hereditary disease, giving rise to abnormal curvature of the spine. How ever, Sir Roger's deformity, more hunched than hunchback, may have been one of the last examples of one produced by tuberculosis, from which he suffered while he was in China and which could be treated adequately

only 10 years later. Prolonged tubercular disease in one lung was apt to result in contracture of the rib on that side and would like idiopathic kypho-scoliosis, produce a slight hunch. TB, as it spreads to the backbone, causes decay in the vertebrae and can result in collapse of the spine, producing an even more marked

In severe cases this can give rise to a silhouette rather like that of a vulture. It is interesting to speculate how Sir Roger's tuberculosis, which necessitated being invalided home, might have altered his approach to life and politics.

rounding of the back.

Clearing the smear

Ten years ago, when Dr Elizabeth Macgregor tested her patients for cervical cancer, she felt she was giving them something worthwhile. She no longer feels that way.

Cervical cancer is the only malignant disease that can be successfully treated in its precancerous stages. The test itself is simple and painless: the procedures and treatments that surround it are confused and inconsistent.

The Labour bealth spokesman, Harriet Harman, last mouth criticized the lack of a computerized call and re-call system, which all health authorities were supposed to have introduced by last month following a Department of Health instruction; Edwina Currie, the health minister, says it is lack of organization rather than finance that is causing problems.

Macgregor, who is leading a five-year project, funded by the charity Birthright, to answer vital questions about how the disease develops, feels the screening system does require better organization. "If we were making best use of resources - and we are not we would know whether more money was needed." Al-though Macgregor retired from National Health Service practice in 1985, Birthright took the unusual step of

ordinated the research. A highly respected pathologist and an expert on cervical cancer, she admits she is now rather ashamed of the screening programme which seemed to promise so much. "Now there are so many different methods of dealing with abnormal smear results, so much overload in the laboratories and such awful delays in getting treatment, that we are

making it a condition of the

£250,000 grant that she co-

no longer offering a good service." She is not, however, planCervical screening

has become so confused that

doctors are to re-examine tests



Leading a five-year project: Dr Elizabeth Macgregor

ning to join the medical Jeremiahs who want the system scrapped. Cervical screening may be flawed, she says, but it is undoubtedly saving lives, and it could save many

Macgregor and her team

hope to establish how the disease develops, and how women with mildly abnormal smears can be most effectively. treated. According to the group. Health and Personal Social Services Statistics for England, published last September, the number of positive (mildly, moderately or severely abnormal) cervical smears has tripled in the past 10 years. At the same time, the number of smears has increased by 54

per cent. Many doctors believe it safe to leave women with mild to moderately abnormal smear ing them regular repeat mildly abnormal five years smears. But because the "no treatment" regime has not been scientifically established, doctors in some parts of the

country prefer to treat all such women in hospital.

This involves examination of the cervix under a medical microscope (colposcope), often followed by either laser or freezing (cryosurgery) treat-ments to destroy the abnormal cells. As a result, many out-patient clinics are overwhelmed with women who, some doctors believe, don't need to be there. These women face months of anxiety

before they are given their treatment and the all-clear. It is hardly surprising therefore, that many women prefer to go to private clinics like the London Cervical Screening Centre, which offers a test for £18.50. Macgregor expects her

study to resolve many of these

ssues. The first part of the project will investigate 500 Aberdeen women who had mildly to moderately abnormai smears 10 years ago. The original tests will be removed from cold storage and re-assessed, and the women from whom they were taken will be asked to come back for a further smear. They will also be asked questions about their lifestyles then and now. Another 500 women who had a normal smear in 1978 will act as a control

At the same time, Dr Ann Ludbrook, a health economist, will study the cost effectiveness of cervical screening, and Dr Stephen Bell, a psychologist, will look at the psychological impact of the wait for treatment. Meanwhile, a similar

project at several centres, including the Whittington Hospital, London, will look at the progress of 600 women whose smear results were received treatment. Ann Kent

At the present time in the United Kingdom there are more than 3,500 patients on some form of renal dialysis treatment waiting for a kidney transplant. The number transplants carried out in 1987 was less than half this figure. Some patients have waited for many years; some will die on

dialysis. The waiting list of patients for hearts, lungs and livers is much smaller, and totals 350. There is a grim reason for this much smaller figure: without transplants these patients die.

It is clear that there is n need for many more organs. There are potential donors in this country, but often no effort is made to find out what the wishes of the possible donor were in his lifetime and if unknown, what the wishes of the family are in death.

There are two questions to be asked: does the existing system for securing organs fo transplantation work? And is there a need for change?

There can really be no doubt that the existing methods do not work. In this country we use an opt-in system -- each of us is invited to declare whether we wish our organs to be transplanted when we die. This invitation is contained in educational programmes and publicity measures, run by transplant units and by the Department of Health, with the organ donor card scheme. Approximately 80 per cent of the British population favour organ donation, and yet fewer than 20 per cent carry donor

There are n number of computerized registries of people willing to be donors. But the schemes themselves are of only modest assistance, for several reasons: n positive action is required by the individual to place his name on the registry and the registry will be of no use unless someone within the hospital caring for the donor is prepared to consult the registry and then to ask the family. At

the present time in the United

SECOND OPINION

Ross Taylor

Kidney donors please

Kingdom the carrying of a donor card is considered not to be legal nuthority for removal of organs. Sometimes families of a card-carrier have refused consent for organ donation. There have been other sug-

gested forms of opting-in, such as the declaration of intent on a UK driving licence; on the five yearly census forms; and even the placing of inconspicu-ous tattoos. The driving li-cence method has recently been withdrawn because it does not conform to EEC regulations. The Government will not use the census. Tuttoos require a very positive act, and problems arise after a change of mind. Other countries like Belgium and France have adopted an opting-out system. Opting-out means that each of us is assumed to be a willing organ donor unless we previously register our wish not to be.

But the solution to the problem is very simple and is contained in the system now adopted in the United States, called required request or routine request: whenever a person on a ventilator is declared dead, there is a requirement of the doctors caring for him to find out what his wishes were with regard to organ transplantation in life, and if that is not known, what the wishes of the family are at

Opponents of routine re-

quest say that in some way it is an infringement of rights and contains compulsion, but the only compulsion is upon medical staff to ensure that a simple question is asked at the

Another argument suggests that if routine request were adopted there would be such an increase in donors that the resources of intensive care units would be stretched, but transplantation is economically so sound that the money saved in removing patients from expensive dialysis to transplantation could be used to provide additional resources for intensive care units.

Not all patients on venti-

appropriate time.

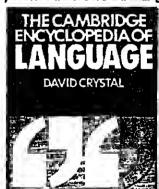
example patients with extensive malignant diseases) and any legislation should contain a clause to the effect that in such cases the transplant team should be consulted and should agree that it is unecessary to consult the family before the ventilator is disconnected. Asking for organs from recently bereaved families, contrary to popular belief, does not always add to their distress; failing to offer the opportunity for organ donorship neglects a very real need within the families.

The recent report of the Conference of the Medical Royal College on organ donation does not recommend routine request because it seems afraid of antipathy within the medical profession, although it does acknowledge that the principle of asking families is

The British public have given the Government a huge mandate in support of transplantation. A Private Member's Bill, advocating routine request, is scheduled for its second reading on April 15. If everyone who agrees that we all have the right to decide about donorship writes to his MP and the Minister of Health, then the Government would surely need to respond. Ross Taylor is consultant surgeon at the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle upon Tyne

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DIARY

ANTHONY SMITH

he last thing you need the day before you take a holiday is for something interesting to happen. But it has done. The replica carriage from the Agit Prop Train, named in its day the "V.L. Lenin". has suddenly taken form at its alloted space in our emerging Museum of the Moving Image on London's South Bank.

The huilders worked from photographs of the original vehicle, which spread the news of revolution to the remotest corners of the Soviet Union. On the train there was a laboratory as well as a cinema. The revolutionaries filmed the peasants, developed and printed the results and showed them to startled audiences as the train moved across the vast Soviet terrain. It is a fascinating and important moment of the history of cinema for anyone wanting to follow the history of 20th century methods of political propaganda.

Our constructors, Kimpton Walker, have produced the academically correct track profiles, wheels, sleepers, colours and perilous access steps; we shall provide an academically correct (living) Soviet train guard to help you up them, equipped with an equally correct Equity card. In the train, which is covered inside with contemporary posters, you will be able, seated on roughhewn wooden benches, to watch Soviet classics of the 1920s, Roll on opening day.

A the same moment a piece of British political history was being installed in our new film conservation vaults out at Berkhamsted, constructed through the generosity of Paul Getty Jnr (whom God preserve). Eight thousand cans, taken into the National Film Collection from British Coal, constitute a visual record of a whole highly politically sensitive industry, going back many decades to the very moment of nationalization, and covering every signifi-

cant stage of its technical history.

The haul includes all the industry's newsreels, recording the management's view of events week by week, as well as the many Durham Miners' Galas and films of miners' social life. The collection probably represents the only comprehensive moving image account of a life of a great industry seen from the inside, and we regard its

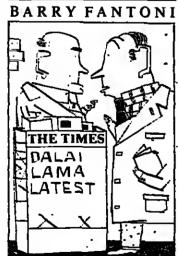
acquisition as a coup.

Among the g million feet of film which are still to be sorted and catalogued is a very rare copy of a documentary directed by Paul Robeson. I can't wait to see it.

bere is an expression which converges at certain moments in the whole range of faces of friends, colleagues, even unto the postman, the milkman and the window cleaner, all looking askance as if to register advice already administered. It says: Get away from all this and take a boliday." I have obeyed but find that the dragnet of coincidence widens its spread in proportion, it sometimes seems, to the distance one now travels for pleasure. Your real life keeps coming back at you even if you go yak-spotting in Peru or watching the sun come up in Samoa.

The coincidences in Victorian novels set in Belgian, Swiss and Italian resorts are wholly credible, but modern coincidence is somehow not credible at all. It somehow just isn't real to bump into familiar acquaintances in the Himalayas, by the funeral pyres of Benares, beside the bub-hling pots of street food vendors in the smaller villages of Madhya Pradesh. Today we carry with us (We equals West European ABIs) a constant potential for finding echoes of our lives wherever we go on the planet. No one and nowhere are immune to this strengthening world force of social

I often wonder whether there are people or places who are the magnets for these eerie moments, when you meet your next-dnor neighbour in a distant place or overhear in exotic locations conversations about people you know. It is of course a thrill to hear people 6,000 miles from home, discussing something you've written. But when you discover that the person at the next table is referred to in the book you've been reading or that the hotel proprietor is married to a never-mentioned sister of a close friend, your neck hair bristles. Coincidence is indeed a cogent force, not a trivial phenomenon. It's latency at all times is a powerful glue. It is one of the things that prevents you from ever leaving yourself behind,



Of course, the Government woul be happier were he a Trappist

In a slightly derelict Anglican church in northern India I have come across a wonderfully concise definition of the most admired virtues of a largely vanished class of British people. In themselves the values are of course universal, but they belong to a way of hife which circumstance has placed somehnw nut of reach; for those who have no affinity, hy education, geniality or inclination, with the social group that gave rise to them, the statement is all the more moving, because it represents some-thing both ineffable and ungraspable.

It is on a memorial plaque which records the virtues of a 49-year-old major in the

22nd Regiment who, by force of character and clearness of judgement added to a pure and unvarying benevolence, which neither prosperity nor misfortune could impair, obtained an unsought influence over all around him as beneficent as it was modestly exercised - an influence whether to soothe, to succour or to reconcile, which was never invoked & seldom exercised in vain.

Perhaps British Brahmins are the only true untouchables.

Newsmen in need of rules

John Birt, Deputy Director-General

of the BBC, analyses the ills besetting press and broadcasting, from inaccuracy to axe-grinding, and recommends some remedies

he ethical foundation of British journalism is not firm. Craft standards are slipping. British media operate under a system of law which undervalues our legitimate role. The institutions we report on, particularly the state, are too

secretive.
All told, British journalism is not in healthy condition, and is not capable of serving or being allowed to serve society as it should. Until we in the media put our house in order we shall not win the argument for a freer flow of information. If we do not put our house in order, more restrictions are likely, and we risk a spiral of decline.

When the Princess of Wales was pregnant in 1982, a news-paper published holiday pictures of her wearing a bikini. The next day, the paper noted there was a suggestion the pictures had in some way transgressed the Royal Family's privacy, and apolo-gized — the apology illustrated by reprints of the offending pbotographs.

A few days after a particularly bestial rape, the victim had her picture snatched by a photographer from a national daily as she was leaving church. The picture duly appeared, her iden-

tity barely disguised.

Some of our popular papers regularly contain stories which invade the privacy of individuals for no reason of public interest; which show insufficient concern for good taste and decency, which on occasion are outright invention.

We have lapses of standards in

broadcasting, too. But they are not on the same scale, and they tend to occur more from individual misjudgement, or poor management in particular areas, than from a general failure to develop a code of ethics. There is a long tradition at the BBC, for instance, of producing detailed guidance and guidelines for journalists. We are reviewing these guidelines and adding to them in response to changing 'attitudes.

The BBC will also produce policies on the use of sexist language and the reporting of events with a racial dimension.

The language we use must be neither partisan nor emotive.

We have been examining our use of labels, particularly in relation to political groupings.

Terms such as "hard left" and "extremist" carry with them an undercurrent of disapproval, whereas the word "moderate" seems lo imply a level-headed balance. It will be the BBC's aim to describe groups in a way. which is accurate and value-free.

When the review is complete, the BBC's guidelines - the ethical code which underpins our journalism - will be published. We can see no reason to keep it secret.

he Press Council was set up 35 years ago. It is a voluntary body created by the newspaper proprietors of the time in response to the threat of a statutory body. The Council itself presses for good standards, aod has had some beneficial impact, particularly on the regional and local press. But unlike broadcasting, the Council does not have a comprehensive code of ethics. What directions it does make are increasingly ignored by some sections of the national press, and its judgements are often treated with contempt. As a voluntary body it has no power to impose its penalties; and it can no longer rely upon the strength of its moral authority to instil higher ethical standards in

It has, for example, con-demned payments to relatives or associates of criminals. But last year, a newspaper bought up the stories of three women. Each had been the girlfriend of a man convicted of serious crimes: multiple murder, rape and attempting to blow up an air-liner. The Council duly ruled that there was no serious or overriding public interest in publishing these three stories. The Press Council has limited ambitions; but it does not always

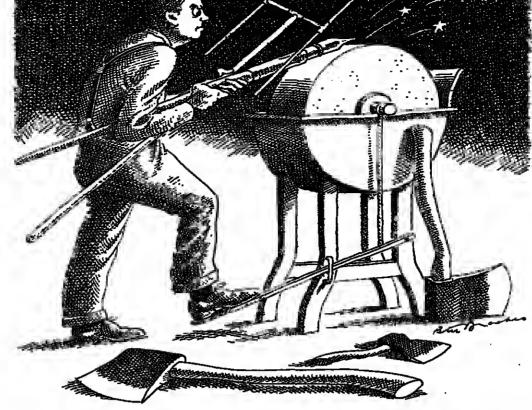
So far I've been talking about how the media deal - or fail to deal - with the knotty ethical problems of our profession. But what of the quality, the craft, of the journalism itself? Some of our popular papers present an. easy target. But what of the rest of the national newspapers? A welcome newcomer has joined the depleted ranks of those who still do aspire to — and do for the most part achieve - quality of craft. But I detect worrying signs, even in some broadsheets, of a drift in standards.

achieve even them.

n occasion, too little care is taken over fact. Anonymous allegation and rumour are reported, unchecked. Sometimes a late check is made and a hlunt and brief denial is placed at the end of a story, confusingly. But an un-truth and a denial do not balance. I fear that the painstaking, wide-ranging drive to get to the bottom of a story, to search for the truth, is slipping slowly out of fashion. Where then is impartiality and

a sense of fair-play in the press? It can still be found; but increasingly common is the sound of grinding axes, from proprietors, editors and individual correspondents, shifting the balance away from journalism where the fruits of the inquiry allow the reader to form his or her opinion, towards journalism conducted in support of previously held opinion about people, institutions and ideas. A blast of well-argued opinion. strongly held and from whatever quarter, is a pleasure to read on the comment page. And journalism of opinion has its place too. But we are in need of more journalism of inquiry, and a greater seriousness of purpose in our national press. Are craft standards better in

broadcasting? More broadcast journalism needs to match the expertise and sense of discovery of the best of the written press. We are more scrupulous, however, about fact than some of our colleagues in print, though not aways scrupulous enough. I am sorry to say, though, that impartiality in broadcast jour-nalism is a withering plant in need of some sustaining care and attention. And many broadcasters certainly need to have a keener sense of fairness to their contributors. There are too



many stitch-ups in our studios and on our films: too many contributors who yow never to

The modern BBC is proud to identify itself with the classic journalistic values of accuracy, impartiality and fair-mindedness. We shall emphasize the need for accuracy and publications. need for accuracy: to double-check even rudimentary facts; to cross-check the controversial; to seek standards of evidence in relation to damaging allegations which will withstand a legal test.

We shall emphasize the importance of impartiality: of giving due weight to significant opinion on all sides of an argument when programmes cover controversial matters. Despite its obligations under the Broadcasting Act, that's what World in Action failed to do a few weeks ago in its programme on the BBC. We have nothing to learn from such a polemic. It was a good example of a standard of journalism we don't want to see on the BBC.

We shall emphasize fairmiodedness: that is, giving those in a programme against whom allegations or criticisms are made a proper sense of the charges and a reasonable opportunity to rebut them as well as to be tested firmly about

An emphasis on such values vigorously applied - should not lead to bland journalism. It should lead to surprising find-ings and to unpalatable thoughts; to the exposure of wrong-doing and to the revelation of mis-management. It should lay bare muddled thinking or inadequate policies. It may also expose uncomfortable choices, and the advantages and disadvantages that accompany all proposed courses of action

The classic BBC virtues are in particular evidence on Radio 4 where an impressive corps of specialist correspondents at home and abroad supplies expert iournalism to an astonishing

array of daily, weekly and occasional outlets, and in a tone of reason and dispassion that makes it a national treasurestore. Television can benefit from radio's experience.

The pursuit of accurate impartial, fair and inquiring journalism of quality on tele-vision and elsewhere comes easiest to those who have open minds; a sense of humility about the permanence of understanding and the fluidity of circumstances and ideas; a respect for the complexity of problems and their causes; a willingness to get out and about and to do some hard work. It comes hardest to those imbued with a disdain for, and not just a healthy suspicion of, established centres of power, and with a preference for pontificating rather than for discovery. Television needs more of the former and fewer of

nother strain of. thought, with more respectable credentials, has influenced and to some extent infected the debate about British television journalism; the developing culture of the "investigative" journalist. Note that I say the culture, and not the honourable practice. There are some memorable characters I've known and worked with, who were born suspicious. On occasions, they are proved trium-phantly right and they tell the rest of us startling and unlikely but true facts that have major implications for institutions and for policy.

i ne tradition vi however, when it forfeits its place in a broad-based service of journalism, attuned to a wide spread of events, and starts to assume that only journalism which produces villains has any validity. This is a bleak, black vision, which some of the tradition's best exemplars now seem to share.

6The pursuit of accurate, impartial and inquiring journalism of quality comes easiest to those who have open minds, a sense of humility and respect for the complexity of problems and their causes?

Most journalism of value in-Most journalism of value involves mining for gems that no one is trying particularly hard to stop you discovering, but which are painfully difficult and which require real skill to pick out. Television journalism must be concerned with a huge array of activities. Most important of all it must scrutinize the problems that confront society, the people and institutions whose task it is

> for their resolution.
> There is another problem with the investigative culture: there are now too many who assume that an alleged fact must be true if it bears out a suspicion. To such journalists I say: throw away your hatchets and buy a scalpel.
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> I fear it will be only a matter of

to deal with those difficulties;

and the ideas that are proposed

time before there are further controls on the print media and these could apply to broadcast media too. The risk is that these controls will take the form of laws enforced by the courts or of regulatory bodies set up by statute. Courts and quangos would be blunt and unwieldly instruments to deal with the scale and subtlety of the problem. The necessary rights and legitimate activities of good journalists could be eroded in the process. Or, put more precisely, even further eroded.

How are the media to avoid impositions which could restrict their legitimate activities? A determined and radical move towards self-regulation is the answer. First, the press should give the Press Council wider authority and new powers. The new Council should develop guidelines covering every aspect of journalistic practice, values and ethics, taste and standards. All newspapers and journals which are members of the Council should enter into legally hinding contracts to observe its rules and to accept its sanctions. The Council's new powers should include the right to make directions about the prom-inence, as well as the wording, of retractions and rights of reply; and the right to levy substantial fines on newspapers for persistent offence, or for failure to comply with rulings. What of those who might not wish to sign on? In a voluntary system they could not be forced to; but in the

group pressure - even the pressure of peers: worse still, the lack of peerages! Second, there should be a new

voluntary forum — a Council of the Media — where the re-vamped Press Council, the IBA, the new Radio Authority, the Cable Authority, the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, ing Complaints Commission, the proposed Broadcasting Standards Council and the BBC would discuss questions of editorial policy and ethics, and harmonize their approach where there is a need for consistency. The Council of the Media could also make common cause — as the media have so often failed to do — on questions of media law

reform and other matters of common concern, like journalis-tic training.

Third, individual newspapers and broadcasting organizations could each introduce an Om-budsman. Thirty big newspapers

do - on questions of media law

in America have one. If British broadcasting had found a way of dealing with complaints with credibility, it might have avoided the rigidities of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission that was eventually imposed upon it. The Commission has not always shown itselfsoon has not always shown itself-sensitive to the proper needs of journalists, as its posture on the advance submission in some instances of questions to inter-viewees has demonstrated. Perhaps broadcasting might still retrieve some ground by embracing an Ombudsman system. It is something the BBC will ponder. If newspapers were to embrace an Ombudsman system they might ward off something worse.

ourth, individual journalists must strive for high standards - the soundness of purpose and firmness of principle we associate with the professions, and which we can note to some extent among American journalists working on major papers and national journals. It would not be possible or indeed right - for journalists to set themselves up as an exclusive self-regulating pro-fession. An alternative would be a longer and more formal period of training, to give them not only a thorough grounding in journalistic practice but in ethics too, underpinned by formal national qualifications: a recognized national diploma perhaps, or even a Bachelor of Journalism degree. Ideally, the word "journalist" should carry as much weight as "lawyer".

Fifth, a small but significant innovation would be to introduce into the British media the American notion of the "factchecker". A fact-checker is an encouragement to accuracy ingeneral and is a safeguard in particular against inaccuracies being propelled ever onward through constant reference by busy journalists to the cuttings file. This autumn, we shall introduce a fact-checker to the BBC television news operation.

The media, if they so chose, order. They should work towards a greater sense of integrity, reliability and fairness, all for its own sake. We should have decent media. Society would show its approval if there were a way it could. But another problem remains. The media won't be wholly decent in the more colloquial sense of the word adequate for their purpose unless and until they and others tackle the problems I want to

This article is an abridged version of the Fleming Memorial lecture which Mr Birt gave to the Royal Television Society last

tiny craters and bubble-like structures. The mammillae

Commentary • RONALD BUTT

Airing the issues

On the face of it, John Prescott's about the policies which both challenge to Roy Hattersley for Labour's deputy leadership is more embarrassing to Mr Kinnock than the joint Benn-Heffer candidature for his own and Hattersley's jobs. For whereas Benn and Heffer will be resoundingly defeated, Prescott will almost certainly give Hattersley a hard run. A Prescott victory is improb-

able, but if Hattersley wins only. narrowly that will be a serious blow to Kinnock's own credibility after his total endorsement of Hattersley - though he could hardly have done less - and his rebuff to Prescott. Yet despite all this, it's the Benn-Heffer challenge that really matters, fir-Prescott's is based essentially on personalities and on rival concepts of the job, whereas the Benn-Heffer challenge is starkly based on an ideological difference. On this, Hattersley has oublicly revealed, he and Heffer agree. It is, moreover, an ideo-logical quarrel which will not go away nnce the contest is over. If Labour won the next election, Kinnock's pragmatic "modera-tion" would be under constant attack by the atavistic left-wing socialism which Benn represents. The size of the Benn-Heffer support, therefore, will help the public to assess the significance of the harassment that Kinnock would continue to

iace as prime minister. This, however, is not the principal sense in which Messrs Benn and Heffer are doing an involuntary public service by standing against Kinnock, Much more important is what this ideological contest will reveal

sets of candidates would offer the nation. Benn is a great one for talking about issues and declaring himself to be loftily uninterested in personalities, but he is adept at discussing the issues in the rhetoric of a general appeal to socialist values and not in concrete terms. If Kinnock can smoke him out

to be more precise about his concept of the class struggle, his commitment to the importance of Karl Marx in Labour's thinking, his belief in "the common ownership of the commanding heights of the economy" (which Kinnock is apparently forsaking) and in party democracy (that is, the suprement of the party the supremacy of the party machine over its elected repre-sentatives in Parliament), so much the better. It would be helpful to know

for instance, whether the hard left, whose primary inspiration came from the impulses behind the Russian and Chinese revolutions, acknowledges any change of attitudes (towards market forces for instance) as a result of watching Mr Gorbachov and China's present leaders trying to inculcate new attitudes. Kinnock may help us to discover more about all this and about Benn's particular brand of unilateral disarmament.

Far more important, however, is the fact that Kinnock cannot logically expose Benn withnut differentiating himself more from his opponents and coming cleaner about what he himself stands for. He cannot get to grips with a rival who purports to stand for the old socialism without disowning it far more precisely than it has suited him to do so far. He cannot fight Bean without discussing the issues, and how can be do that without disclosing more of the broad outlines of his own new He will have to say more

about his view of where Labour stands on economic policy and planning, control of investment, nationalization, market free-dom. The revised statement about Labour values still accepts the important place of market forces in the economy, and as the research groups work away one of the proposals is for graded tax bands, something like the West German, starting at 15 or 18 per cent. But that is not credible without a clear commitment to adjust public spending accord-

Above all, he will have to come cleaner about his own ambiguous drift to unilateralism and the more he does so, the more he will offend not only Benn but many on the softer left who are uneasy with his more pragmatic approach.

The real significance of the

contest lies in the hostages Kinnock will be forced to give to fortune and his attitude to Benn's insistence that policy-making must remain the prerogative of the Labour conference,

with its block votes. The irony is that Kinnock and Benn both come from the same way of thinking, but Kinnock wishes to change in the pursuit of power. The question is how far he dare own up to the change to win over the public and how far he must disguise it to appease his

SCIENCE REPORT

Shelling out

Unhatched birds take dif-ferent amounts of minerals from their eggshells, depend-ing on their maturity at birth, according to a study in the Zoological Journal of the Lin-nean Society.

The study was carried out by zoologists and materials scientists from the University of Bath, working together to show how eggshells are croded from the inside during incubation as the developing chick exploits the shell's reserves of calcium and magnesium to form its own bones.

The group at Bath examined the inner surfaces of eggshells at different stages of development using a scanning electron microscope. This shows de-tails of their structure which may measure only a fraction of a thousandth of a millimetre.

The new research suggests a sharp distinction between species (called altricial) whose young batch in an immature state to be nurtured by their parents in the nest and species whose young leave the nest almost immediately after hatching. The eggs of these precocial species are much more heavily eroded.

That is not surprising. The mineral content of eggshell is by far the most important

source of calcium and magnesium for the chicks of precocial birds. The young of domestic chickens, in this group, get 30 per cent of their um and 80 per cent of their calcium from the shell-



But the chicks of altricial birds depend more on food provided by the parents.

The new study shows that erosion of the inner egoshell surface is far from uniform. Instead, calcium is drawn from well-defined areas called mammilise protrading from the inner surface of the shell into the membrane of the egg. Although these structures are visible under the scanning electron microscope, chemical analysis has failed to reveal differences between these manufillae structures — the centres around which minerals

accrete while the egg is forming — and the rest of the shell. In the eggs of domestic hens and quail (both precocial), these mammillae bear the brunt of erosion during incuba-tion. The tips and central

help to anchor the mineral eggshell to organic layers beneath. In heavily croded ahelis (such as those left by newly-hatched domestic chicks) these layers become detached from the shell itself, the weakened mammillae hav-ing been broken by movements of the chick. With domestic chicks, there is little erosion until about 11 days into the three-week incubation period, but after 65 per cent of the incubation time in both hen and quall, the mammillary tips have dis-

appeared. After 80 per cent of incubation time, the man-millae are found to be deeply scurred and pitted, with many tips broken off completely. The researchers say this pattern of erosion could be important; if all parts of an eggshell were plundered equally, erosion around the pore canals through which the egg breathes would increase The same pattern has been

found in the eggs of other precocial species, including waterfowl, but ostrich eggs show greater erosion around the sides of the mannoillae than at the tips. But the eggs of altricial species such as kes-trel, moorhen and white fantail pigeous survive more or less intact until hatching

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PENTAGON TO PUNJAB..

Relations between India and Pakistan look menacing at the moment. The Indian army's sealing of the border between the two countries is a genuine cause for alarm. Although high tension is nothing new here, the current visit to the subcomment by the United States Secretary of Defence, Mr Frank Carlucci, is welltimed.

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The Indian army's move is an attempt to cut off the supply of arms to the Sikh terrorists operating in the Indian border state of Punjab. Judia has accused Pakistan of supplying the recrorists, and has claimed that these supplies have increased of late. Evidence of this, the Indians say, is the terrorists' improved firepower, which has allowed them to outgun the ordinary police, and to carry out their dreadful massacres.

Pakistan has always denied this charge, claiming that the terrorists are buying their arms on the huge open arms market of the area. In recent years the Pakistani authorities have been very cautious about meeting publicly with Sikh leaders. None the less, there is strong circumstantial evidence that Pakistan is, at least, tolerating the terrorists who cross its border into India. Mr Carlucci should make quite clear to Pakistan the folly and immorality of this, also the acute dangers to itself which stem from such behaviour.

India, while hating and fearing Pakistan, should now be seen by its neighbour as a patisfied power in territorial terms. Only if Indian unity is at stake is there the temptation for Indian politicians to try to bind their country by a successful foreign war.

There have long been sporadic voices in Delhi arguing that India should launch a "preventive war" to destroy the "terrorist bases" inside Pakistan (if formal bases exist, which is doubtful). If the Punjab crisis comes to look wholly insoluble, and if Pakistan is seen as having a hand in it, these can be expected to grow louder.

So far, India has held back, partly out of fear of the international repercussions, partly because of the cost, and partly because of the danger of a Chinese intervention. But the political landscape of the region is shifting. The key factor in India's restraint has been the abundant supplies of American weaponry to Pakistan which have made it by no means certain that India would win.

The main reason for this American generosity has been the Soviet presence in Afghanistan. As this comes to an end, the Pakistani Government is afraid that its special relationship with Washington may follow suit. This gives Mr Carlucci great leverage over President Zia, which he should use to the full.

It may be, of course, that Mr Gandhi will succeed in bringing about a political settlement in Punjab. As we pointed out last week, however, his present initiative in the state is a last-ditch effort. Although his intended negotiating partner, Mr Jasbir Singh Rode, does seem to be making a real effort to bring the Sikh militants to the negotiating table, and to have had some success with two of them, the other three main terrorist groups seem likely to reject any conceivable settlement.

Their ambitions for the extent of their hopedfor state of Khalistan (including, Pakistan might note, large areas of its territory also) are as vast as they are wholly without reason. His own extremist background makes it hard for Mr Rode to come very far to meet the Indian Government's position.

The next overtures are expected to be made on or around April 13, the date of the Sikh Spring Festival, when Mr Rode has called a Sikh conference at Talwanti Sabo. But the auguries are poor. Too many intransigents are waiting to drown any settlement in blood. If the negotiations fail, and if Mr Carlucci cannot force an end to the arms trade from Pakistan, the world should prepare itself sooner or later for a fresh Indian clampdown in Punjab.

The systematic oppression of the Sikh community would be bound to arouse international indignation. But people in the West, and above all Sikhs fiving outside India, should clearly realize that in the last resort India must prevail. If the Sikh extremists ever did succeed in tearing Punjab out of India, it could sound the death knell of the whole Indian Union. The disintegration of India would bring bloodshed and international danger on a scale not seen since the Second World War.

.. PARIS TO MASHAD

Meanwhile closer to home, speculation over a French deal to free their remaining hostages from Lebanon is intensifying. Following last month's decision to release a suspected terrorist in Paris, the recent movements of both ministers and officials have served only to confirm the general suspicion that another more comprehensive package is being arranged.

If France is ready to end any last hopes of achieving a united European front in the war against terrorism, it deserves (and will surely get from Britain) the strongest condemnation. But that may not stop the electioneering M. Chirac.

The likely price for Paris is reported to be a large ransom and the resumption of diplomatic relations with Iran. These were severed last summer when an official of the Iranian Embassy refused to co-operate with French police investigating the previous year's fearful bombing campaign in Paris. By agreeing to resume them so easily and so soon, France would play directly into the hands of the

Tehran regime. The French Prime Minister is struggling in the run-up to the presidential election - the first round of which is now less than three weeks distant. Few doubt that the safe return of any hostages would give M. Chirac a powerful advantage in his bid to unseat his Socialist rival President Mitterrand. A complaint from within Tehran that President Mitterrand himself is trying to frustrate any deal negotiated by his Prime Minister serves only to confirm the impression that the hostages are about to be used as bargaining coonters in a game of national politics and international intrigue.

It would not be the first time that M. Chirac has acted in this way. At the end of this year he released an Iranian diplomat, suspected of terrorism in exchange for two other hostages from Beirut. Then came last month's decision by a judge to release their latest "captive" despite furious opposition by the prosecution.

The West Germans too admitted last year to doing business with the terrorists - just before another German businessman was kidnapped. This is despite repeated assurances by Euroders that they will not flin of the "men of violence." Mrs Thatcher has already made clear to M. Chirac that this country would take a serious view of further surrender to the terrorists in Lebanon. Now it seems that her latest warnings too may have gone unheeded.

The timing of a French deal now would be doubly unfortunate - while hostages remain on the hijacked Kuwaiti airliner in Iran. Both Kuwait and Britain, the two countries most under pressure to give in to Arab demands, have so far refused to bargain - and rightly so. Their position would be disastrously undermined if France surrendered.

The bartering of the French hostages in Beirut would endanger the lives of the others who remain. It would show that terrorist crime pays handsomely. Terrorists act without law, and often without reason too, but they understand the politics of gain. Wherever they are, only by denying them gain, can they and their cause be beaten.

WHOSE CHIP IS IT ANYWAY?

If European industry is to compete in new electronic technologies with the United States and Japan, individual companies need to collaborate with each other to share costs and combine expertise. That is common ground in the European Community and has become the cornerstone of Britain's new national approach to industrial research and development aid.

The Department of Trade and Industry recently abandoned aid for individual companies. Instead it has offered £29 million over the next three years for national collaborative ventures in information technology, backed in some areas by £55 million from the Department of Education and Science. After much huffing and puffing, Britain is also to put £200 million over five years into the latest Esprit programmes of the European Community.

One problem with this logic, however, is that companies are often far too suspicious of each other to collaborate in areas where they might otherwise hope to steal a march on their domestic rivals. The collapse of the joint venture between Plessey and GEC to build up a British capacity in mass production of gallium arsenide microchips is a case in point. Plessey withdrew from the project before the £25 million of government aid was spent essentially because it thought it could already

compete in the world on its own. This is not necessarily a failure. Government aid is there to fill potentially profitable gaps left after individual companies have pursued their own interests. If Plessey can go it alone, the carmarked money can be switched to where it

is needed. The commercial potential of gallium arsenide may also have changed. It has the advantage of allowing microchips to operate faster than those based on silicon, though at steater expense. Thus far, it has only been used for specialized applications, not least in defence electronics. That is why the industry and the DTI moved to easure Britain did not

lag in a potential new generation of large-scale microchip production as it had in silicon chips. In the event, however, silicon technology has advanced apace, keeping its practical lead over what is a theoretically superior technology.

The history of rivalry between Plessey and GEC is, however, legendary. The two have finally pooled their telecommunications interests, but only after damaging delays.

Such rivalries are not confined to Britain's shores. A plan to merge the medical electronics interests of GEC and the Dutch multinational Philips failed for the same reason. The joint European semi-conductor silicon programme is already faltering over suspicions between Germans and French. The Germans fear that such projects always seem to end np in French control

This is all far from the Japanese experience. There, government orchestrates co-operation between domestic rivals with a firm hand and companies seem to have little difficulty combining a common interest in the success of Japanese industry and technology with fierce competition at home.

Britain has little alternative than to pursue collaborative ventures at a national and European level in a traditionally more hostile industrial culture. And alongside the rows and failures, there are successes. Collaboration between the DTI, Plessey and Racal, for instance, has helped a British-Scandinavian narrow band cellular radio system become the European standard, at modest public cost.

By the end of next week, the DTI will have received industry's reaction to its new draft plan for co-operative research in three important new areas pinpointed by the electronics industry itself. This will no doubt lead to more haggling and personal rivalries. These damage industry's efforts to secure government support, let alone raise it to the levels which companies so often say they would like. | March 31.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rylands library sales defended

From the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Manchester University

Sir. In their letter (April 2) about the John Rylands Library sale Lord Eccles and others claim that the University of Manchester is breaking a trust intended to benefit the city. The exact opposite is the case.

For many years the John Rylands Library has remained a mausoleum, unrecognized by most Mancunians. We have identified second copies which we have every legal right to sell the disturbance to the Christie and Spencer collections is minimal. All the money from the sale is to be spent on the John Rylands Library, on conservation, exhibitions and cataloguing. We have located all second

copies available, and there will be no further sale. Benefactors can rest assured that their collections will not be sold; the main dif-ference is that in future we will have money to make them accessible to scholars. This is an enterprising inner-

city development to create a

dynamic library worthy of this great city. We believe Mrs Rylands would be on our side. Yours sincerely BRIAN COX (Chairman of the Library Committee), University of Manchester, Manchester, M13 9PL.

Spiritual guardians

From Mr A. F. Jesson Sir, Alan Coren's wager at 33 to 1 against finding a patron saint of bookmakers (Diary, March 30) may be reasonably safe, but his typesetters are triply covered by saints Augustine, Genesius and John of God, the last of whom is also responsible for booksellers.

These three saints are all patrons of the whole printing pro-cesses and may therefore be invoked by those processing words on computer screens. In fact, as Genesius is also the patron of secretaries he may be invoked by those whose technology is not as advanced as electronic composition.

St John the Evangelist and Apostle is considered by some authorities to be the patron of "all involved in the production of books" and could therefore semantically be responsible by extension for a pious turf accountant, but his customers could have other ideas, depending on their view of his picty.

For those customers who think betting is as safe as houses perhaps St Matthew, patron of bankers and accountants, would suffice, whereas for the more timorous St Christopher, invoked for safe journeys, might well spring to

Those concerned with the wellbeing of the horse may find either St Hippolytus or St George efficacious, and we should not forget St Jude, patron of lost causes and desperate cases, as being another likely to have an effect on the racing scene. Yours faithfully.

ALAN F. JESSON, Bible Society's Librarian, Cambridge University Library, West Road, Cambridge. March 30.

Musical deluge

From Mr Rowland Oakeley Sir. Three cheers for Martin Cropper (TV review, March 28) who asked, "One would like to know why practically everything on television, from harmless documentaries to golden goals, is deemed to need the decoration of synthesised music or, indeed, any music at all".

Why, indeed? Do naturalists go around the countryside, or guides round country houses, with blaring transistor radios? Of course they do not. Why, then, must we endure music with nature, arch-aeological and similar films on television, often even while the introducer is speaking? Yours faithfully, ROWLAND OAKELEY, Gowerbank, Littleworth,

Chipping Campden,

March 29.

Mark of distinction From Mr H. L. Salter

Sir, Several years ago I attended a party given by a friend who was retiring after many years' service as manager of a large West End branch of one of the big banks.

He stood on a chair to address the assembled gathering. His opening gambit was that this was one of the finest moments of his life and, as he jumped on to his bowler hat which had been placed on the floor, smashing it to pieces. said that he had waited 12 years to do this. Yours sincerely.

H. L. SALTER 207 South Norwood Hill, SE25. March 29.

Peterhouse plaint

From Dr P. W. M. Copeman Sir, Lord Dacre's "assumptions" (March 30) concerning gentility are historically unscientific and curiously egoistic. A gentleman, by definition, is one entitled to bear arms, but he who is so honoured need not necessarily behave as a gentleman. Yours truly, P. W. M. COPEMAN 82 Sloane Street, SW1.

Private interest in prison reform

From Lord Windlesham Sir, Your leading article (April 4) on the cost of prison overlooked the potential importance of an item included in the Home Secretary's statement in the House of Commons on March 30. In addition to announcing a number of measures to contain the rising prison population, Mr Hurd said that he intended to publish a Green Paper on private-sector involvement in all aspects of the remand system and at the same time to engage consultants to help in working out the practical

implications.

This innovation is timely and welcome. There are currently about 12,000 men and women in custody awaiting trial or sentence, amounting to nearly a quarter of all those in prison. Some may need the high security of the grossly overcrowded local prisons in which they are typically contained, but many do not. Moreover, the very term remand prisoner obscures a crucial distinc-tion between the punishment of convicted prisoners and the pretrial detention of persons accused of a criminal offence punishable with imprisonment.

Accident units

Surgeons Association

This conflict is not easily re-

Smoke hoods

From the Director General of the British Safety Council
Sir, 1 warmly welcome Harvey
Elliott's article (March 31) on the dangers of so-called smoke hoods.

Following a spate of hotel fires in America, the Mediterranean coast and the UK in 1982, socalled smoke masks/hoods appeared on the market, giving the impression that they were perfect for escape or even rescue in case of

Not one of the masks/hoods that we tested ourselves filtered out the most common smoke that one finds in fire.

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Education reform

agreement on the curriculum with Church interests as a wise move ("Mr Baker meets the bishops" March 25) and correctly assert that questions of values, belief and moral conduct are no less significant than economic and political policies. But there is still an important gap in the Education Reform Bill.

As the proposed legislation now stands, primary education, sec-ondary education, and further education all have a statutory purpose: for all three, this purpose is expressed in terms of a high ideal - "to contribute towards the spiritual, moral. [cultural], mental and physical development [of the

Roughly half of higher edu-cation, which has hitherto been allied with further education

Colour-blind units From Mr Jock Haswell

we were serving in Allahabad. years ago, was a cook in C Company, and during an inspec-tion by the district commander this distinguished officer addressed him in Urdu - he was wearing cook's "whites".

Good regiments make no colour man's a man for a' that". Yours etc.

JOCK HASWELL (Regimental Historian, The Oueen's Regiment). Folkestone, Kent.

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It is quite wrong that the conditions in which those on remand are confined are now indistinguishable in most respects from the restrictions on liberty imposed by the courts in the name

The time has come to plan entirely separate facilities, outside the prison system, for the pre-trial detention of those who have been refused bail as well as for their escort to and from court. As the Home Secretary acknowledged, there may also be room for developing privately-managed bail hostels, providing a higher level of security than is currently available.

Although anathema to the vested interests determined to preserve the existing public-service monopoly in the staffing of prisons, administrative reforms on these lines offer the best hope of making a really significant contribution towards resolving the acute and continuing crisis of prison overcrowding. Yours faithfully, WINDLESHAM, House of Lords.

number of these non-urgent pa-

tients should increase during the

summer months, because many of

them do not realise that they can

register on a temporary basis with

a local general practitioner if they are taken ill whilst on holiday

away from home. However, even

this facility is not available during

evenings and weekends when

A&E departments, many of them

with insufficient staff, are under

these problems to the attention of

the Minister of Health, in the hope

that some solutions can be found

before the quality of care yields to

Yours faithfully, DAVID J. WILLIAMS, President,

Casualty Surgeons Association, The Royal College of Surgeons, 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, WC2.

the quantity of demand.

This association is bringing

greatest pressure.

March 29.

April 5. It is even less surprising that the

From the President of the Casualty

Sir, Those of us who work in accident and emergency (A&E) departments will not have been surprised by the findings of Dr Saunders (March 24) that a proportion of our patients attend with relatively non-urgent conditions. Many previous surveys have identified similar discrepancy between a patient's prospective assessment of the urgency of a problem and a doctor's retrospective assessment when treatment has been completed.

solved and even the introduction in some A&E departments of experienced triage nurses has not significantly diminished the number of patients who need to be registered and seen by a member of the medical staff.

porate membership of the British Safety Council were purchasing these devices with a view to passing them over to salesmen for

use in hotels and aircraft. We have just written to Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, asking that some kind of warning be issued to people who may have bought what is, after all, the false sense of security which is inherent in a smoke mask. But, in the meantime, we welcome your excellent article of March 31. Yours faithfully,

JAMES TYE, Director General, British Safety Council, National Safety Centre, Chancellor's Road, W6. March 31.

under the care of the local education authorities, has shared

with that further education its

general statutory purposes, but no

longer. For the first time, the

whole of higher education is to be

provided for on a statutory basis

(university HE being outside the

1944 Act, and now included), and it is to be without a statutorily

There may, of course, be legiti-

mate differences of view about the purposes of higher education, and

therefore about how such a

declaration should be framed. But

clear options exist: it could be

analogous to that for the other three phases; it could be in terms drawn from the purposes first enunciated by Robbins (instruc-

tion in skills, promotion of the

general powers of the mind, the

advancement of learning, and the

transmission of ... standards of

citizenship); or it could follow the

line of thinking developed in the

Government's own White Paper of last year, in which there are six

paragraphs on the aims and purposes of higher education.

It may not be easy; but difficulty

is not an excuse, still less a reason,

for a refusal to try, still less for

leaving the whole of higher edu-cation, after the Bill, without any

May I, Sir, through your col-

umns, urge all concerned to seek to ensure that higher education

has its purpose(s) enshrined in law

- purposes no lower in their ideals

than those for schools and further

Voices unto the Lord

Sir, With reference to Mr B.

Harte's letter (April 4) on

birdsong, meeting with over 100

other parishioners in our Finchley

churchyard at 5.30 am on Easter

Sunday for the first Easter service

we found the place full of birdsong

Being so entranced by their

music we omitted to ask if the

birds were singing for Mrs Thatcher or the Bishop of Dur-

If Mr Harte joins us in London

next Easter be has my permission

E. M. MURRAY (Churchwarden,

St James's and St John's,

Friern Barnet), 48 Alexandra Grove, N12.

Felstead, 4 Woodland Way.

Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

From Mrs E. M. Murray

even before the dawn.

to ask them.

April 4.

Yours faithfully,

education.

Bidborough.

March 26.

Yours faithfully

JOHN S. BEVAN,

high declaration of purpose.

declared purpose.

From Mr John Bevan Sir, You rightly encourage the secretary of state to view his

community". In large part, this declaration remains unchanged from that set out in the 1944 Act, and it is very satisfactory to see it so confidently re-stated (e.g., in clause 2 of the

Sir, Prince Charles's concern (report, March 28) that there should be more "ethnic" recruits in the "good" regiments intrigued me. For many years I belonged to unquestionably the best of the great line regiments - the Second of Foot, The Queen's Royal (West Surrey) Regiment, now gathered into The Queen's Regiment.

It had been raised in 1661 and earned the honourable title "Royal" by its magnificent defence of Tongres in May, 1703, and, so far as I know, no "ethnic distinctions" had ever been made amongst its soldiers. One dark-skinned soldier, when

"Lor, bless you, Sir," our ethnic soldier replied. "No good talking to me like that; I come from Deptford".

distinctions because, as that northern bard once wrote, "A

The Grey House, Lyminge, March 30.

Making all clear in the Lords

From Lord Rochester Sir. Clause 17 of the Employment Bill is concerned with ballots on industrial action affecting dif-

ferent places of work. When it was debated in the House of Lords on March 8 I sought without success to exclude the clause from the Bill, partly on the grounds that the House should not pass legislation couched in language so obscure that it might not be comprehensible to those affected by it.

In responding to an amendment moved by Lord McCarthy when the clause was discussed again oo March 29, the Government spokesman, Lord Trefgarne, said (Hansard, col 543):

In relation to the subsection covered by the amendment, this means that separate ballots will not be required where the balloting constituency includes members employed by a oumber of employers if entitlement to vote is given to every member of the uoion employed by any one employer who shares an appropriate, common distinguishing factor with other members in the tor with other members in the balloting constituency employed by the employer and does not share with any member employed by that employer who is not in the constituency. The common factor which distinguishes the group of tnembers employed by one employer need not be the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the constituent with the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the preprint and the same factor used to distinguishes the group of the same factor used to distinguishes the same factor used to distinguishes the same factor used to distinguishes the group of the same factor used to distinguishes the same factor used to distinguishes the same factor used to distinguishes the group of the same factor used to distinguishes the same factor used to guish the members employed by a second employer from those who are not entitled to vote.

I am sure the noble Lord will agree that that clarifies the matter beyond peradventure . . .

Yours faithfully, ROCHESTER. House of Lords. April 2.

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ON THIS DAY **APRIL 7 1917**

Within six weeks of the US declaring war provision was made to enlist a million men. On June 9 General Pershing, Commander-in-Chief of the American forces, arrived in

U.S. DECLARES WAR.

PROCLAMATION BY PRESIDENT. CREDITS FOR ARMY AND NAVY.

£680,000,000 TO BE

DEMANDED. The United States of America are now at war with Germany. Congress having passed the resolution declaring that a state of war exists with Germany, the Senate, by 33 votes to six, and the House of Representatives by 373 to 50, President Wilson yesterday formally affixed his signature.

Enormous credits are to be asked for Messages have been sent by the British War Cabinet, the French President, and Mr. Asquith to the United States expressing gratitude to, and sympathy with, American people.

Preside

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) NEW YORK, APRIL 6.

The die is now irrevocably cast. The United States is at war with Germany.

Half derisively, half fearfully, Germany is asking - according to accounts sent from Berlin -"What after all can a nation such as the United States, which is both mentally and physically unprepared for war, do against us?"

The reply to this contemp-tuous question is already assuming surprising dimensions. First of all the Government is prepared to spend over £680,000,000 for ita own initial war preparations. Over and above this amount it plans to lend to the Allies, as soon as they require it, far vaster sums at a rate of interest which will probably not exceed 31/2 per cent. The details of the first War Budget of the United States were officially revealed yesterday by the Secretary of the Treasury,

(1) To raise, organize, train, and equip within a year an army of 1,000,000 men - £586,507,186;

Mr. McAdoo. Here are the

(2) To increase the enlisted strength of the Navy from its present authorized emerger strength of 87,000 men to a full war strength of 150,000 men, and to increase the Marine Corps from its present authorized emergency strength of 17,500 to a full war strength of 30,000 men -

£35,171,152; (3) Extraordinary expenditures on materials for naval establishment (including guns, ships, equipment, aviation, storage facilities, and ordnance supplies), £58,587,758.

These are only preliminary items, for at the War Department it is pointed out that £1,200,-000,000 will be required for the Army, if after the first year its numbers are raised as contem-plated to 2,000,000 men.

... The Government intends to provide for large additional taxation. The income-tax, which is now very small, will probably be trebled, with heavy, possibly confiscatory, surtaxes on incomes of over £20,000. . .



COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE April 6: The Lord Chancellor and the Lady Mackay of Clashfern. His Excellency the Ambassador of Finland and Mrs Pastinen. His Excellency the High Commissioner for the Republic of Zimbabwe and Mrs Murerwa, the Bishop of Oxford and Mrs Harries, the Viscount and Viscountess Blakenham. and Viscountess Blakennam, Mr and Mrs Timothy West, Mr and Mrs Robin Hanbury-Tenison and Mr Neil MacGregor have left the Castle.

The Princess Royal visited the Outward Bound Wales Centres at Aherdovey and Rhowniar and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Gwynedd (the Marquess of Anglesey).

Her Royal Highness, attended by the Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke, travelled in an aircraft of The

KENSINGTON PALACE April 6: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Concert and Dinner held at the Banquet-ing House. Whitehall, in aid of the Orchestra of St John's The Lady Glenconner was in

KENSINGTON PALACE April 6: The Duke of Gloucester this morning opened the North East Regional Headquarters of Laidlaw Thomson Group plc, Gateshead, and the Bellway Urban Renewals Ltd Hebburn Village Project, His Royal Highness subsequently visited HMS Cavalier and was later entermayor of the Metropolitan Borough of South Tyneside (Councillor A. Tate) at the Town Hall, South Shields.

tn the afternoon The Duke of Gloucester opened the re-constructed Gate of the Roman ort, Arbeia, South Shields, and & Clare's Hospice, Westoe Village, Tyne and Wear.

His Royal Highness, attended by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Si-mon Bland, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Prince Edward will visit Canada from June 4-11 and carry out engagements in Ottawa, To-ronin and Newfoundland.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.D.A. Azis and Miss J.L. Brown

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, younger son of Mr and Mrs Osman Azis, of Milford, Surrey, and Jille, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G.K. Brown, of Low Fell, Tyne and Wear.

Mr J.C. Cullen and Miss S.R. Brown

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Mr C. Cullen and Mrs D. Cullen, of Portsmouth, Hampshire, and Sheila, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.M. Brown, of Broadwell, Warwickshire,

Mr J.R. Dobson and Miss N.J. Hollinshead The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs S. Dobson, of Swillington, West Yorkshire, and Nicola, noly daughter of Mr and Mrs A.G. Hollinshead, of Frodsham, Cheshire,

Mr N.A.S. Duthie

and Miss L.G. Dilkes
The engagement is announced
between Nicholas, son of the
late Mr R.D. Duthie, and of Mrs S.N.S. Duthie, of Borderville, Stamford, and Lucia Gre, daughter of Mr N. Dilkes and the late Mrs D.P. Dilkes, of Luffenham, Leicestershire.

Mr J. Ellson and Miss J. Steward

The engagement is announced between Jack, son of Mr John Elson and the late Mrs Jean Ellson, of Ruislip, and Jill, daughier of the late Mr Harold Steward and Mrs Irene Steward. of Highgate, Loodon.

and Miss K. James The engagement is announced between Martin, only son of Mr and Mrs A.V. Greagg, of Aston Clinton, Buckinghamshire, and Katherine, younger daughter of the late Lieutenant-Commander Humfrey James, RN, and Mrs Maureen James, of Herongate.

Mr J.P. Quesnel and Miss P.F.J. Le Neve Foster The engagement is announced between Jonathan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs David G. Quesnel, of Little Bowstridge, Chalfont St Giles, Buckingham-shire, and Phillippa, youngest daughter of the late Mr Michael Le Neve Foster, and of Mrs Patricia Le Neve Foster, of The Spinneys, Chesham Bois,

Mr T.C. Page and Miss V.L. Anderson The engagement is announced between Thomas, youngest son of Commander and Mrs Peter Page, of Goleigh Farmhouse, Greatham, Hampshire, and Vicioria, only daughter of Mr Michael Anderson, of Tiley House, Middlemarsh, Dorset, and Mrs David Part, of 267 Pavilion Road, London SW1.

Mr.J.A. Greville Williams and Miss E.F. Barry The engagement is announced between Jeremy, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.H. Greville Wil-liams, of Maypole Farmhouse, East Grimstead, Wiltshire, and Emma, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G.W.S. Barry, of Forge Cottage, Humbie, East Lothian.

Mr J.P. Guzningham and Dr C.A. Robinson The engagement is announced between John Paul, second son of Mr and Mrs J.R. Gunningham, of Marlborough, Wiltshire, and Catharine Anne,

elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M. Robinson, of Halifax, Mr N.A. Hopkins and Miss C.T. Winsor

The engagement is announced between Neil Allen, ynungest son of Mr and Mrs R.A. Hopkins, of West Molesey, Surrey, and Carol Tracy, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.D. Winsor, of Esher, Surrey.

Mr P.M. Jones and Miss V.R. Weller The engagement is announced between Michel, son of Dr and Mrs D. Jones, of Putney, London, and Veronica, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E. Weller. of Marlow, Buckinghamshire.

Mr T. Leach and Miss B.J. Grant The engagement is announced between Tim, only son of Mr Paul Leach and Mrs Daphoe Stanbridge, and Belinda, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Grant, of Burton Overy,

Mr T.J. Mulhali and Miss J.E. Pendred The marriage will take place oo Saturday, October 1, between Timothy James Mulhall, of London, and Joanna Elizabeth Pendred, also of London.

Mr G.R. Pellow and Miss J.J. Turner The engagement is announced between Gary, son of the late Mr F. Pellow and of Mrs O.J. Pellow, of Probus, Cornwall, and Joanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Turner, of Pool-in-Wharfedale, Yorkshire.

Mr C.G.E. Rogers and Miss C. Greenshields The engagement is announced between Colin, only son of Mr and Mrs E. Rogers, of Queens

Road, Aberdeen, and Clare, younger daughter of Mrs R.M. Greenshields, of Elsted, West Sussex, and Mr R.M. Greenshields. Mr N.J.M. Valentine and Miss J. Everard

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Valentine, of Leicester, and Julia, twin daughter of the late Mr Norman Everard, and of Mrs Ivy Everard, of New York, Lincolnshire



Janice Parker, aged 13, the daughter of Mr Andrew Parker, the man who used his body as a bridge to help 20 other passengers escape from the capsized Herald of Free Enterprise, trying on a Man of the Year the awarded to her mother, Eleanor, in recognition of the support she has given the family. Mrs Parker is in the Philippines, where her father is critically ill.

THE THYSSEN MASTERPIECES



A Young Woman (La Bella) by Palma Vecchio (Jacopo Negretti) 1480-1528: This idealistic image of woman was nriginally attributed to Titian.

Mr David Ekserdjian, the author of the exhibition catalogue, dates the painting to the second or third decade of the sixteenth century and he describes it as showing "the artist at the height of his considerable

He adds: "Many details of this picture, such as the way the sitter holds her flowing tresses in her right hand, may have

contained meanings now lost to us "It seems plausible that this whole class of pictures, in which an attractive young girl confronts our gaze, were not straightforard portraits. It is likely these 'beauties' were executed for collectors more interested in

idealized images of Waman than in convinc-ing likeness of individual women. "This is a comparatively restrained example of the genre...

The Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection of Old Masters in at the Rnyal Academy until June

negotiation.

The Thyssen collection in

considered by art experts to be-

possibly the most complete

On the eve of the signature

ceremony for the Thyssen

collection, another major pri-

vate art collection went on

display in Madrid: The Patsy

and Raymond Nasher Collec-

The Queen of Spain inaugu-

rated the exhibit at the mu-

seum which bares her name

here, the Queen Sophia Art

Centre. The statuary oo dis-

play, more than 70 pieces,

includes works by the best

known sculptures of this cen-tury, including Matisse, Pi-

casso, Moore, Miro.

Giacommetti, Duchamp-Vil-

lon, David Smith and Rodin.

tion of Modern Sculpture.

Spain wins battle for Thyssen art collection

From Harry Debelius, Madrid

The formal agreement, under huilding where the six paint- Spain, Carmen Cervera, and which about 700 of the most ings were hung. highly prized works in the private art collection of Baron Hans Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza will be installed in Madrid on a long term basis, will be signed here today, the Ministry of Culture confirmed.

As lawyers for the baron and the Spanish state polished not be installed in the Spanish the final text of the agreement, capital until 1989, since the which will guarantee the building where the paintings permanence of the works of are to be hung, the Villaknown that security precau-Miro Foundation in Barce- seum. lona at the time of the theft on Tuesday of six "invaluable" paintings by the late Catalan artist Joan Miro, and the

Officials at the foundation temporarily disconnected to the decision to house the while renovation was being hulk of his art treasures in

less than 10 years, it became street from the Prado, must tions were minimal at the equipped to serve as a mu-

paintings were not insured. admitted that a sophisticated alarm system, which would have alerted police, had been fluential in bringing the baron

Dinners

Lennon United and Cecil Club Lord Colnbrook, Chairman of the United and Cecil Club, presided at a dinner held last tax cheque night at the House of Commons bounces Mr Sydney Chapman, MP, was the host. Mr Peter Imbert and Mr Christopher Ward also back...

items.

To the High Sheriff of Surrey The Lord Lieutenant of Surrey and Mrs Thornton attended a By Huon Mallalieu dinner given by Dr and Mrs Jonathan Johnston in honour of the High Sheriff of Surrey and cheque for £6,946-10-0d made out by John Lennon to the Inland Revenue in 1968 Mrs Hacket Pain at County Hall, Kingsum upon Thames, last night. The Chairman of the County Council and Mrs Robertson and the Right Rev George and Mrs Reindorp were was snapped up at a sale of pop memorabilia at Phillips yesterday for £5,280 (estimate £400-£600). In a hot saleroom filled with among others present. unusually quiet pop persons OKS Association and accolytes the competition was headed by the Hard Rock organization, of Los Angeles

Canon Anthony Phillips, Head-master of the Kings School, Canterbury, and Mrs Phillips were the guests at the annual dinner of the OKS Association held at the East India Cluh on Friday, March 25. The president of the association, Mr H.P. Wortham, was in the chair.

Birthdays today Mr Dennis Amiss, cricketer, 45;

Mr Dennis Amiss, cricketer, 45; Lord Ashburton, 90; Miss Fredda Brilliant, sculptor, 80; Mr Francis Ford Coppola, film director, 49; Mr Luca Cumani, racehorse trainer, 39; Professor G.J. Davies, vice-chancellor, Liverpool University, 51; Professor D.R. Denman, land Professor D.R. Denman, land economist, 77; the Marquess of Downshire, 94; Mr Peter Fluck, sadrist and puppeteer, 47; Mr David Frost, broadcaster, 49; Mr F.L. Garner, former chairman. Pearl Assurance, 68; Lord Glendevnn. 76; Mrs Janet Gra-ham. vice-chairman, National Consumer Council, 58; Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Hezlet, 74; Mr Justice Lincoln, 68; Sir Hamish McLaren, electrical engineer, 90; Sir tvo Mallet, diplumat, 88; Mr Cliff Morgan, former Head of Outside Broadcasting, BBC Television, 58; Mr Ian Richardson, actor, 54; Lord Ross of Marnock, 77; Mr Ravi Shankar, sitar player and composer, 68; Miss Alison Shrubsole, former principal, Homerton College, 63.

the baron's good friend, the Duke of Badajoz, who is King Juan Carlos's brother-in-law. Foundation officials also The duke personally handled the early stages of the

admitted that they had considered iostalling thick bullet proof glass in the place of ordinary window panes, one of which was smashed by the thieves, but that solution bad been rejected as too costly. private collection of great paintings in the world.

The Thyssen collection will art in Spain for a period of not hermosa Palace across the first he renovated and

> A foundation, in which the Spanish state and the baron will be represented, will be set up to operate the Villahermosa Palace as a private museum administeriog the

carried out in the part of the Spain: his wife, a former Miss

and London, which took

many of the more expensive

Relics of Michael Jackson

were in great demand, notably

what was described as a

"superb" pair of his purple lace-up dancing shoes, heavily

studded with purple glass stones, as worn on a 1981 tour.

These shoes made £4,400

A white pair which had been

signed four times by the star reached £4,180 (estimate £1,500-£2,000), and even a single knee pad belonging to him made £434.

A 14-carat gold necklace

with the monogram "T.C.B."

— Elvis Presley's personal motto "Takin" Care of Business" — sold for £4,840. The "King" gave such necklaces to his deept finds A cald and

his closest friends. A gold and diamond ring which had also belonged to him went to a

Lord Taylor, of Gtyn Ceiriog, Clwyd, psychiatrist and sociolo-gist, left estate valued at

Japanese bidder at £3,300.

Latest wills

gist, left es £119,650 met.

(estimate £1,000-£3.000).

Anniversaries BIRTHS: Saint Francis Xavier,

Jesuit missionary, Navarre, Spain, 1506; Charles Burney, musicologist, Shrewsbury, 1726; William Wordsworth, Poct Laureate, 1843-50. Laureate, 1843-50, Cockermouth, Cumbria, 1770; Cockermouth, Cumbria, 1770; Sir Francis Chantrey, sculptor, Northon, Derbyshire, 1781; Bronistaw Malinowski, anthro-pologist, Kraków, Poland, 1884; Gabriela Mistral, poet, Nobel laureate 1945; Vicuna, Chile, 1889; Sir David Low, political cartoonist, Dunedin, New Zea-

land, 1891; Billie Holliday, jazz singer, Baltimore, Maryland, 1915. DEATHS: Richard t, reigned 1189-99: Chaluz, France, 1199; Saint Jean-Baptiste de La Salle. founder of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, Rouen, 1719; Richard Turpin, highwayman, executed, York, 1739; Phineas executed, York, 179; Princes
Barnum, showman, Bridgeport,
Connecticut, 1891; Henry Ford,
Dearborn, Michigan, 1947;
Theda Bara, silent film star, Los
Angeles, 1955; James Clark,
world champion racing motorist, killed in racing accident
Meckanhaim Germany, 1968. Hockenheim, Germany, 1968.

Mr Léon Goossens

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Léon Goossens will be held in West-Goossens will be held in Westminster Abbey 21 noon on
Monday, May 16 1988. Those
wishing in attend are invited to
apply for tickets in writing to:
The Assistant Receiver General
(Protocot), Room 16, the Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard,
Westminster Abbey, London,
SW IP 3PA, enclosing a stamped
addressed envelope, by not later
than Munday, May 2. Tickets
will be posted on Munday, May
9. All are welcome.

Cokethorpe School, Witney In recent scholarship examinations the following candidate

won awards:
To a Major Scholarship Christopher Bateman, Oakley Hall,
Cirencester to a Minor Scholarship Simon Morton, Sandle
Manor, Fordingbridge.

Exponent of Western collective security

MR JOHN EPPSTEIN

Mr John Eppstein, OBE, who died on April 2, at the age of 92, was a distinguished Roman Catholic intellectual At the same time he wrote The Catholic Tradition of the whose activities in the field Law of Nations which was published in 1935 by Burns, of international relations covered a period of more than Oales and Washbourne for the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. The book fifty years. The son and grandson of Anglican clergymen, Eppsteio was received into the Catholic church by Father

Educated at Wellington, Eppstein joined the Friends Ambulance Unit in 1917 where his work with the French Civilian Section in evacuating the sick and wounded from hospitals in Flanders earned him the French Croix de Guerre, and he was made a Knight of the Order of Leopold I at the hand of King Albert of the Belgians.

OBITUARY

After the war he abandoned his scholarship at Hertford College, Oxford, in order to earn his living. He became an officer of the League of Nations Union which had been formed to stimulate public support for the league.

He served seventeen years with the league as assistant secretary to Maxwell Garnet in London, and, later, as private secretary to Lord Robert (Viscount) Cecil. This task involved frequent visits to Geneva. Eppstein was at-

became the standard work in American Catholic univer-sities, and both Cardinal John Wright and Archbishop Higinio Cardinale (who later became his friends) confessed Martindale in January, 1919. to "having got their doctorate

out of it".

In 1938 Eppstein founded the British Society for International Understanding. Lord Baldwin of Bewdley became its first President, and his-torian G. M. Young its chairman. Young was succeeded, first, by Rear Admiral Sir Arthur Hall and then by Lord Bessborough.

The British Society for International Understanding published the British Survey which was sold in large numbers to the British Armed Forces during the war, provid-ing unbiased information of foreign countries and inter-national affairs.

After the Second World War Eppstein became the first Secretary General of the

tached to the League of Atlantic Treaty Association Nations Section of the Foreign (ATA). a body in whose formation he played a large part, the purpose of which was

to rally public opinion behind the need for a common defence in the face of Soviet

His later years were devoted to the cause of Nato and of "collective security". As director of education of the ATA he worked closely with Otto Pick and others in the Atlantic Information Centre for Teachers.

Eppstein's Catholicism went hand in hand with his concern for collective security. In 1972, in the aftermath of the Second Vatican Council, he wrote: Has the Catholic Church Gone Mad?, which was as much of a polemical success as his magnum opus had been an intellectual one thirty years earlier.

John Eppstein was a muchloved figure in Reading and Caversham. A large, kindly man of high intelligence, his contribution to the life of his locality and to a wider understanding by his compatriots of the complexities of inter-national relations, will not easily be forgotten.

His wife, Kitty, died some years ago. He leaves two sons.

MISS ALFREDA FISHER

Miss Alfreda Fisher, who died in New Zealand on March 25, at the age of 87, was for many years a well-known figure in hard of hearing circles in this country.

She was born in Liverpool. a doctor's daughter. During her youth she suffered from poor health and spent long periods confined to a spinal carriage. General good health returned by adulthood, but further tragedy struck in the sudden and almost complete loss of her hearing.

It was all the more tragic in that she had been developing into a fine concert pianist. Then, in 1935, she helped to having given two concerts at: form the Merseyside hard of

Laverpool before going to the Royal Academy of Music. Despite this handicap, she

played a piano concerto with the Royal Academy Orchestra under Sir Henry Wood without being able to hear a single note. She was awarded a silver medal.

But she soon gave up music altogether and looked around to see how best she might help others similarly afflicted. She formed, and ran for some years, a Ranger company for profoundly deaf girls, eventually becoming a district commissioner for guides.

worldwide assignments for the

Downes was an effective

ambassador for the council -

He retired in 1971 and

cootinued to use his language

skills, teaching Portuguese at

Portsmouth Polytechnic, and

also giving a grounding in the language to diplomatists and

husinessmen going to Brazil

He also found time to write

and Portugal

in a small book.

next twenty years.

hearing club, of which she became chairman. This led to her involvement in a national movement out of which was born the British Association for the Hard of Hearing (BAHOH). She was its founder secretary and served it in various capacities for

work, Liverpool University awarded her an hon MA.

In 1966, Miss Fisher (who never married) joined the rest of her family in New Zealand, which she made her home.

MR LEONARD DOWNES

Mr Leonard Stephen Downes. OBE, an early member of the British Council, died on March 25. He was 77.

Council postings took them to Vienna, Karachi, Saigon in the turbulent 1960s, Mexico In 1936, the council appointed him to the post of English lecturer at Coimbra City and, finally, to Calcutta. University in Portugal, Having a degree in French and scholarly, witty, a good mixer, Spanish, he soon be-came fluent in Portuguese and . later compiled a small book of poems translated from that and appreciative of foreign cultures. settled in Hampshire. But be language.

With his wife, Doris, whom he married in 1937, he spent the next ten years in Portugal, the last three as director of studies at Lisbon.

In 1947 they were transferred to Brazil where Downes became director of English in the Sao Paulo Cultural Society. Just prior to this be and his wife had adopted a baby daughter and she was to

accompany them in all their and their adopted daughter.

MISS MARGARETE STARK Miss Margarete Stark, who helped to break down the was killed in a car crash in Bavaria on March 31, at the age of 69, was a diplomatist who patiently cultivated a more understanding attitude towards West Germany

politicians and journalists. Born near Stuttgart in 1918, she studied languages at the Dolmetscher Institute at Heidelberg. After seven years with the press service of the Federal Republic in Bonn, she was transferred to London in 1960 as a press officer in the German embassy. She was still in London when she retired from the Foreign

among a generation of British

Service, in 1978. She had a kindly, almost confessional nature which

resistance to post-war Germany that was still common in Fleet Street in the early 1960s. Indeed, some of her colleagues in Bonn declared that she was too forebearing towards anti-German bias.

She was an ardent ally of the pro-European right wing when she became the London embassy's link with the Labour Party in the 1970s. and it was a symptom of her remarkable commitment to Labour's fortunes that she continued to attend party conferences after her retire ment. She was unmarried. Her

children were all god-children and they live in London.

Carpmael rowed in the

winning Cambridge Univer-sity Boat Race crews in 1930

and 1931, and officiated as

Umpire in the Boat Race in

1972 and 1976. Earlier, in 1948, at the age of 40, he won the Wingfield Sculls.

the amateur sculling champ-

ionship of the Thames, retain-

ing his title in the following

In 1954, he was elected a Steward of Henley Royal Regatta, and in 1975 he

became president of the

Until his retirement, he

worked for the Gas Light and

Coke Company in London. He is survived by his wife,

London Rowing Club.

Anne, and two sons.

MR P. N. CARPMAEL

Mr Philip Nevil Carpmael, who died on Easter Day, at the age of 80, was one of the bestknown and loved figures in the rowing world.

He was educated at Oundle and at Jesus College, Cambridge, and first raced at Henley Royal Regatta in 1928. He was a competitor in all but two of the ensuing twenty-four In 1931, be won both the

Grand Challenge Cup and the Stewards' Cup with London Rowing Club, winning the Grand again in 1933, and reaching the finals of the Stewards' Cup in 1933, 1934 and 1935. He also reached the final of the pairs io 1939.

Colfe's School

The following boys have been awarded Scholarships or other distinctions at Colfe's School:

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nearly twenty years. She edited the Merseyside cluh's Hear Here magazine and, later, BAHOH's own publication, Hark. For her

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HOPKINS Kenneth Hopkins, who died on April I, at the age of 74, was a man of letters in the fullest sense.

A poet who put traditional forms to distinctive and original use, he was also a literary scholar with the gift of combining erudition with the ability to entertain. Instances of this will be

found in his study of late eighteenth century satirists, Portraits in Satire (1958), and in his history, The Poets Laureate (1954).

His knowledge of the minor English poets was exceptionally wide-ranging, witness his English Poster (1962)

ous vein of his experiences He was also a writer of which he had privately printed detective stories, a literary editor and anthologist, and the He is survived by his wife champion of other writers' work his biography of the Powys brothers (1967) remains a valuable iotroduction to their books.

From his own publishing house, Warren House Press, he issued the Collected Poems of the American writer Gamel Woolsey, as well as a number of out-of-print works by the Powys circle.

A Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, he was, as his autobiography The Corruption of a Poet (1954) makes clear, a man of singular charm, modesty and wit.

Pierre Prevert, the French film maker, died yesterday in Paris. He was 81.

He was the brother of the poet and novelist Jacques Prevert, with whom he wrote scripts for several films. His films, most of them in a

burlesque style that failed to achieve commercial success, include L'affaire est dans le sac, Adieu Leonard, and Voyage Surprise. He also acted in Bunuel's 1930 surrealist landmark. L'Age d'Or.

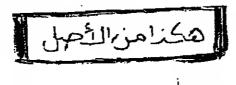
Mr Elliot Barker, one of the creators of America's the Smokey the Bear forest fire prevention programme, died at Santa Fe on April 3, at the age of 101. It is said that he liked to call himself "Smokey's stepfather".

It was the rescue of a bear cuh from a fire at Lincoln National Forest (to which Barker was a witness) which inspired the use of Smokey as the national symbol of forest fire prevention.

Today's royal engagements

Duke of Edinburgh, will visit Britannia Royal Naval College. Dartmouth, in present new Colours and take the Lord High Admira's Divisions at 10 30 Admiral's Divisions at t0.30. The Princess Royal, President of the Save the Children Fund, will attend a council meeting and reception at the headquarters of the fund. Mary Datchelor House, 17 Grove Lane, at 10.40; and a performance of Carmen at the Farrer Theatre at 7.30, given by the Windsor and from Operatic Society and the Rotary Club of Windsor St George.

The Queen, accompanied by the



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AMEL TON - On April 4th, to City and Stewart, a daughter, a sister for James, Rory and Edward. HOLYOAK - On March 17th, to Carolina (new West) and David, a daughter. Olivia Charlotte. JAMEE - On March 21st at the Warneford Hospital, Leamington Spa. to Pippa (née Walters) and Jan, a son, Thomas Dougal. JUNAN - On March 31st, to Thnoting and Roole (Whitehouse), a son Renjamin William. met Darroch) and Dickon, a son,

LEACH - On March 29th, to Mariot (nie Hughes) and Cuy, a son, James (née Hughes) an Henry Vernier. LEVY - On April 3rd, to Karen (nie Hetmele), and Watter Mitton, a daughter, Sophie Bertha Rose. MLADEK - On April 3rd. in Epsom, to Elspeth (née Walters) and Peter, a daughter, Natasha Mary Ludmila, a MOSS - On April 2nd, to Clare (née Harier) and Michael, a son.

RAMD - On April 5th, at Queen Chariottes Hospital, to Louise (née Dickinson) and Mark, a son, Matthew James Mark, a prother for RENDALL - On Auril Stn., 1988, to Lucinda (née Mappin) and William. a son. Oliver Edward, a brother for Toin. Henry and George.

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Mount Street, London, W1. Funeral
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GALF On April 3rd, peacerally at bome, Douglas. Funeral private. Donations to imperial Cancer Research Fund.

CALLOW On April 6th, Frances
Dorothy, withow of Noctor McNicoli
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Ashbourne, Derbyshre, Fusera's
service at 11 am Monday April 11 th
at 6t Oswald's Church, Ashbourne,
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Family flowers only, donations if
dealed to The Fabric Fund of St
Oswald's Parish Church.

CALVERT - On April 4th 1988. John Douglas in Reading, aged 87, much loved gather of Michael and Brian. Funeral Tuesday April 12th. 12.50µm. Reading Crematorium. Caversham Rd. Reading. Family

CARPHAEL. - On Easter Souder. April 3rd. Philip Nevil (Farm), President of London Rowing Club. dearly leved husband of Anne. Sether of David il and Robert. beloved brother of Essa. Cousts of Peter, much leved by so many friends. Funeral at Reading Crementum at 12.1 Spm on Friday April 8th. Family flowers only. April 8th. Family flowers only. Memorial Service to be announced.

COLLIER On April 3rd, at home, St. Orwald's Court, Filey, (formerly of Sneffield), Gerbroic Etuma, aged 75. Beloved wife of the late Bob Coller, dearly loved mother of Robert. Service at St. Oswald's Church. Files, Monday. April 11th at 12.30pm, prior to Cremation at Woodlands Cremetorium. Scarberough. Family flowers only please. Donations to fieu of flowers. If dealers, for the Imperial Cancer please, Donations to Beu of Howard of desired, for the Imperial Cancer Research Fund to A. Hanby & Sont, 7 Belle Vue Street. Filey, North

CRACKETT On April 3rd, 8th, of Saleme, Portugal. Family funeral in the U.K. Memorial Service to follow in Portugal.

BANKEL. On Agril 4th. aged 34, whilst swittening near Port Harrourt. Nigerta. Dr Christopher J. M. Daniel, sometime of Pembroke and Carwin College Cambridge and Shell internationale Petroleum Mit. Holliand. Avery dearly loved grandson. Soit and brother. Daniel, Westerings. iand. Avery dearly loved grands soit and brother. Daniel, Westerin Welledey Close, Crowborough.

DENDESTON - On Good Friday, April 1st. 1988, at Aberdeen Royal IST 1988, at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Lucy Jame, aged 26, dearly loved daughter of Keith and Atm, sister of James, Juliet and Sobble, Cremation private. Family flowers only. Donations if distred to Cancer Recearch. C/o Aberdeen Shiftern Hospital.

ENGEL - On April 1st, peacefully in her sleep. Dora Engel, at Bryntowy Mansion I Langumor Carmerthen Dyfed. No flowers by request but bushes for a commemorative rose garden would fulfill her wishes.

FRANCIS - On April 5th 1988, peacefully at home. John Caprian Francis (little of United Services Clubi aged, 77 years of Worthing, Sussentermenty of Edgware. Middlesert. Beloved husband of Ellen, dearly loved father of Denise. Dianne and dear brother of Etta. Furneral service at Worthing Crematorium on Wednesday April 13th at 1pm. Family flowers only please, Pomatons in Marie Curie Memorial Foundation, c/o/H D Tribe Ltd. 130 Broadwater Read, Worthing, 34516.

90138319 - On March 30th, 1968, a home, Richard, Instand and best friend of Joen and loving father of David, Deuglas and Annelle, Service at Holy Trinity Church, Polynings, Stinez, on Priday April 8th, at 22m. Enquiries to Frank Davey & Co., 31, 18th St., Hurstpierpoint, (0273) 832179.

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HARDWOODE C. Ard 64 1986 BARDWCRE On April 6th 1968, peacetrify at home, Florence Spivis (nie Morgan), belowed wife of John and much loved mother of David, Richard, and Vaness, and a dear grandmother. Funeral Service at St. Minwer Charch, Contwall, Monday April 11th, 2.30pm. No flowers blense, but if desired depations for Macmidian Norman Service would be

MAVELOCK - On April 4th, at Poughlesepsie, New York, Eric Altred, aged 84, Professor of Classics Emerims at Harvard and Starting Professor of Ancient Philosophy at Valle, Much loved husband of Christine, beloved future of Joan, John and Bonald, and adorad gravidather. Memorial Service at Yate on May 21st.

AWKINS - On April 1st. pencefully in Germany. Frank Ville, beloved Germany, Frank Ville, beloved husband of Susan, much loved father of Juliana and Thomas.

SETUTIONS ON Agril 4th 1988, peacersity at Cakenholt House, Manyaret Amy Huschins M.S.E., formerly of Oxford and Brighton. Wife of the late John Hutchins, and reach loved start and great sunk. Funeral service at Oxford Crematorium on Monday April 11th at 2.50 pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to The piesse, donations if desired to The Oxford Preservation Trust, 10 Jurn Apain Lane, St. Enbes. Oxford. ENGINE - On April Sin, Alam Frederick (Tatty), aged 81, dearty loved business of Eve, and touch loved father and grandfather. Cremation private. Service at St. Andrew's Church, Shations on April 13th at 11.30 am, No flowers please.

KIMOHAM - On April 3rd, Histor Kathleen (Lolly), wife of Maurice. Funeral strictly private by her own request. Donations it wished to Canine Defence League, 10 Seymour don WIH SWB

ACEY On March 31st, suddenly, William John of Orpington Kent, formally with Ots Elevator Company, lately Thyseen, beloved histoand, father and grandfather, Funeral at Hither Green Crematorism, Lewisham, Monday April 11th at 11.30 am. All enquiries to Frances Chappell & Son, Farmborough, Tal. (0589) 55277. LEA . On April 5th, Reverend Artho

EA On April Stu, services and of Stelach and father of Michael and Margaret. Funeral at St Marrys Church, St Clare Road, Waltner on Friday April Str at 2.30pm. Donations if desired to Breamore Church. Milienary Fund. c/o Doddington House,

LEWIS - On Easter Day, April 3rd. 1988, pencerally in hospital. David Edwin Stater Lewis. beloved husband of Pegiry, Atther of Jatos and Clare, grandlather of Asross and Angelsiale. Functual Service at St. Peter's, Yahriey on Monday April 11th at 12. Sopus, followed by private cremation. Family Sowers only places, but dougloss if dealed to Carrier Research. Campaign. 2 Carrier Research Catapaign. Carrier House Terrace, Lond

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MAXWELL-WULLER - On Monday April 4th, Dr Coth (Max) MRCS, LRCP (retired) aged 69, pencalcully to hospital. Humband of the late Yvoune Louise (Mouse), dearly loved father of Direct. Service on Friday 15th April at 11.00 am at Rendade Park Crematorium, Loninernean, Flowers suitable for hospital, Enquiries to F W Paine, 71 Walton Road, East Molesey, Tel 01-979 5343. Molecuty, Tel 01: 979 55A3.

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BROOKE On April 2nd at his home, in his 81st year, Stephen Maxwell Moore, hong hoved husband of Catherine Funeral private. No flowers, but donations to The League of Friends. Victoria Hospital, Lewes would be louch appreciated. Memorata Service date will be announced later.

announced late:

MORDAUNT - On April 3rd. 1988, peacefully in Hampshire. Eustace John. aged 86, husband of the late Ann Mordaunt, and much loved father of Angela, David and Gerry, grandfather and greet grandfather. Funeral will take place at St. Marye Church, Hayling Island, at 3.45 pm, on Monday April 11 th, followed by a private cremation. private cremation.

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PALMI - On April 2nd 1988, to London after a short libres. Marjory McLean (née Grant), much towat mother of Raymond and Berry. and grandmother of Christopher. Sarah, and Cafriona. Funeral service at Mortlete Crematortum. at 1.30 pm. on April 12th.

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PARR On April 5th, peacefully in his sleep at home. John formerly HM inspector of schools, beloved hissband of Selty, dearly loved father of Marghret, Jentifer and Dione and grandfather and great grandfather. His family will sady miss his generous spirit, his wise course, his ready humour and his quade courses. His ready humour and his quade courses. Funeral Service, Wednesday 1.3th April 11.30am at Yeovil Cramatorium, Family flowers only please, buil dunations if desired for British Heart Foundation c/o G H Cook and Son, 8/11 Bond Street Yeovil, Tel. 0938 25465.

PETHAN - On April 1st 1968, at Care House, Esher, Rosamond Marion, dearly loved mother of Sue and Miles, and grandmother of Hugh, Sally, Peter, Andrew, Simon and Christy, and great-grandmother of Susphine. Funeral service on Monday April 11th, at 11.15 am, to St Michael's Charch, Esst Coker. Monday April 11th, et 1.15 am, to St Michael's Church. East Cohen. near Yeovil. followed by private cramation. All enquiries c/o G H Cook & Son Fineral Directors. 8-11 Bond Street. Yeovil. Tel: 0935 23465/4.

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PRICE - On Monday April 4th. Derek Group Captain R.A.F. (retired). husband of Damaris and father of Brian. Roger and Valerie. Funeral on Monday 11th April at Southermoton Gremstorium. West Chapel. Bassett Green Road, et 2.45 pm. ROSERTS - On April 1st 1988, Ernestine (Tony) aged 84, studenty but peacefully at home in U.S.A. with her son John. with ner son sonn.

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

Rodney Hews. M.C., T.D., D.L. will be held in Canterbury Cathedral at 12 noon on Thursday April 28th IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE EYENE . Lib-Lyune, a woo

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TELEVISION

Sounds of hope

BBC Television showed last night how different can be the sounds of silence as well as the bizarre noises produced hy people making music. In *The Musical Mariner*, the first part of his two-part film for Wideworld (BBC2), David Fanshawe, the composer, musicologist and endearing eccentric recorded various sounds of "si-lence", most strikingly the musicless dance of the dirt-encased mud men of Papua New Guinea.

Fanshawe, who made the awardwinning African Sanctus, took us on part of his remarkable 10-year journey round the Pacific, record-ing ethnic — and less unthentic music, including the Papua New Gninea bamboo pipes, beantifully played with ruhber flip-flop, accompanied by primitive electric guitars.

In Breaking the Silence (BBC1). for Q.E.D., the sound engineers tried to reproduce the internal noises - "a horrendous mixture of sounds" - heard by n 40-year-old woman. Christine Harding, when she went completely deaf. She underwent a cochlea implant operation to restore some hearing.

The programmes offered contrasting styles - the madcan character as narrator imposing his persocality on another world and the subject drawing the audience in to her out-of-the-ordinary world with her own narration. Both helped us to empathize with the extraordinary.

Some of the "primitive" rituals seem very staid and normal, compared with the frenzied prancings and pronouncings of Fanshawe, as he waved his extended micropbone like a phallic totem. Christine Harding looked so attractive and sounded so calmly rational, as she explained her handicap, that any guilty resistance to the worthy voyeurism of filming the disadvantaged was

Both films were full of hope and joy. The excitement of Harding when she heard something again was uplifting. Fanshawe, who enthused throughout, got married during the film and is basing uplied to be a something the film and is basing uplied to be a something the film and is basing uplied to be a something the film and is basing uplied to be a something the film and is basing uplied to be a something the film and is basing uplied to be a something the somethin composition on his recording.

But there was also regret. Some of the music will sooo survive only on Fanshawe's tapes; and cochlea implants are not available on the National Health.

Andrew Hislop

Good news

ames L.Brooks's Broadcast
News looks at first as if it is
going to be n bold expose of
television, but in the end it
has nothing more original
to say in this regard than that news
reporting is show business like
anything else; and that in the
sincerity game that is fundamental sincerity game that is fundamental to television, the secret of success is not to be a good man but to be a good actor.

The film belongs rather to the genre of the organization drama. Hollywood and television long ago discovered the dramntic potential of the politics of big husiness, the intrigues and coups d'étal, executive rises and falls.

Here the arena is the Washington bureau of n television news network, with its local hierarchy always looking nervously towards the New York head office, ruled over by the autocratic chief editor and anchorman: an enjoyable comic performance by Jack Nicholson as a shifty-eyed elder

Brooks clearly knows the set-ting in his early days he worked in a television newsroom. The iotrigue he places in it is a romantic triangle that would be traditional and conventional, but for the special political mechanisms that condition the characters and their relationships within the organ-

Jane (Holly Hunter) is n crack news producer, ocurotic (she is given to frequent attacks of crying) and hyper-efficient, tormented rather than stimulated by the conviction - very discouraging to the men around her - that she is smarter than anyone else on the hlock.

The men in her life are Aaron (Albert Brooks), an informed and gifted news reporter without a shred of conviction or charisma on the screen; and Tom (William Hurt), a former sports reporter, promoted to oews anchorman.

Even if he doesn't know the Cahinet from a chest of drawers, and has to be talked through his broadcasts on an earphone, Tom has the gift of seducing the audience with his air of sincerity and grave authority. He is bound for the top of the media world.

In the corporate rat race these three take their falls and win their prizes - which do not, in Brooks's book, include romance, The characters work in too much proximity, under too much stress, too exposed to one another: the triangle is never resolved.

CINEMA

Broadcast News (15) Odeon Haymarket

The Believers (18) Leicester Square Theatre

The Time to Live and the Time to Die

An epilogue, seven years after, reveals that each member of the original triangle has in the end found emotional fulfilment outside it. The epilogue, and a matching prologue showing the three central characters as children, their future characters clearly foreshadowed, are odd, awkward

Brooks learned his craft in television soap opera (The Mary Tyler Moore Show, Lou Grant) and still writes his characters in the broad, clean-cut stereotypes of the style. There is nothing inherently wrong in that; great drama has often been built on stereotypes; and in this case well-cast and excellent actors develop the predictable stereotypes ioto characters whom we believe, at least, to be humanly unpredictable in

Holly Hunter's incorrigible, tougher-than-the-boys career-woman is interesting and likeable, precisely because she sees herself clearly and detests her own type; equally, William Hun's subtly narcissistic newsman seems genuinely to regret his shallowness and inability to commit himself to a

Albert Brooks (whose own films as director include the caustic Lost in America. Modern Romance and Real Life) is refreshingly combative and without self-pity as a man who recognizes himself as one of life's losers. There are fine supporting performances, too, by Robert Prosky as a veteran news editor and Peter Hackes as the icily ruthless studio chief.

In the early scenes of The Believers it is easy to see what might have attracted John Schlesinger to the script, if, as be asserts, "an estimated three million Americans practise some form of Santeria ... Its origins are in the Yoruban religion of Niger-ia ... as the slaves adapted to their new lives in Haiti, Cuba. Jamaica and Central America, they combined the gods of their ancestors with the saints of their Catholic masters".

Mark Frost's script, from Nicholas Conde's novel The Re-ligion, explores what happens then the benign magic turns to black, with human sacrifices and demonic possession. Schlesinger, with his keen outsider's view of America, predictably delights in such incongruities as New York police investigating ritual killings. a tough Cuban cop possessed by evil spirits, and an eruption of voodoo in a polite Manhattan socialite party.

In the early stages, when Martin Sheeo as psychiatric counsellor to the police force (an essential service it would seem) is bringing cool science to bear on the phenomena, it is all quite promising. Around half way, however, the script gives in to prevailing vogues of schlock horror, with insects crawling out of people's cheeks and like borridness.

The grand finale is set, inexplicably, in one of those vast multi-storeyed industrial huild-ings - mazes of iron stairs and grilles and elevators - whose only purpose seems to be to house thriller set-pieces.

Schlesinger is at all times a compelliog story-teller and a meticulous craftsman. Even the industrial site finale has a visual style that takes it out of the ordinary. His way with horror is subtle, cerie suggestion, rather than crude visceral shock. His skills deserve better scripts than

he current flowering of cinema in the Far East is not confined to Com-munist China. Three years ago a new director from Taiwan, Hou Xiaoxian, appeared with one of the best films about children's discovery of the world, Summer at Grandpa's. Since then he has made something very like a masterpiece in The Time to Live and the Time to Die, which was first seen at the 1986 Edinburgh and London Festivals. This autobiographical recollection is also a fresco of Taiwanese. history over the 40 years of the director's lifetime.

Hou Xiaoxian's family were among the two million refugees from Communist China who arrived in Taiwan (formerly known



Crack news producer who is usually on the verge of cracking up: Holly Hunter on the case in Broadcast News

by its Portuguese name of For-mosa) in the late 1940s. The family shown in the film is lower middle-class, struggling to make ends meet, on the divide between ancient custom and superstitioo and the modern influences and education offered by a developing urban society.

The young son, A-ha, is clearly a self-portrait of the filmmaker-tobe, as he moves from childhood high spirits to adolescence on the

fringes of delinquency. The narrative is episodic: time and the seasons pass; people grow up and grow old. Simply related and finely cootrolled, the film is. photographed on location, with the same unpretentious pictorial elegance as Summer at Grandpa's.

The family saga is intimate, human, often comic; and yet there is always n sense of an epic background, a deep involvement in the complex and emotive

situation of Taiwan itself. Io the minds of Communist and Nationalist Chinese alike, the country remains a province of Mainland Chins; the dream of "going home" retains a compulsive hold on the characters around A-ha.

-The land and its problems are far off, perhaps, but Hou Xiaoxian. compels our human concern with

David Robinson

Opening her heart and voice

RECITAL

Margaret Price Covent Garden

This was the recital we had been waiting for. When Margaret Price sang at the Wigmore Hall last December, she was certainly not in the right place at the right time. The voice was the instrument we know and love; but it remained an instrument, played upon by an over-tense mind and an anxious spirit. Last night saw n transformation on every front. Voice, mind and body were co-ordinated in relaxed yet intense concentration: Price seemed to be enjoying it all as much as her audience.

It was partly a question of scale. The arching proscenium and the larger auditorium seemed to give her room to breathe; and she chose a programme of matching proportions. The evening was, in fact, a succession of expansively paced scenes. First, there was Haydn's Scena di Berenice, not only a formidable heroic persona in

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Relaxed: Margaret Price seemed to enjoy it as much as the audience

which to sink herself, but also a vocal gymnasium for every muscle of the voice.

Having assured herself and us that they were in pretty fine form, Price turned to Beethoven. "An die Hoffnung", with its verbal and harmonic questioning of the divine presence, celebrated her distinctive dramatic use of the most

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lightly moulded legato; and then came Beethoven's setting of two linked poems hy Burger. In the course of their long span, huilt and sustained by Price's relishing of line and language, the theme from the "choral Fantasin" suddenly pealed out, and Price judged its turning point to a nicety.

It was an inspired touch, too, to

CONCERT

For a young American soprano yet

to make her name here, Candace

Goctz's appearance with the London Philharmonic Orchestra

on Tuesday night was tantaliz-ingly brief. She sang A Mind Of

Winter, George Benjamin's short, evocative 1981 setting of a poem by the American Wallace Stevens.

of which Miss Goetz recently gave the first New York performance. I have written bere before of its

meticulous instrumental colours

and carefully shaded dynamics, to which the vocal line is in places but a straod io the texture. How-

ever, the soprano was musically

nien to the wintry word-painting

in a way that suggested that her operatic reputation elsewhere should not be long in extending

Another transatiantic soloist in this programme was Offa Harnoy, the gifted young Israeli-Canadian cellist. She tackled the Cello Concerto No I by Shostakovich with considerable assurance and

with considerable assurance and no lack of resourcefulness in meeting its demands, but for a work in which the element of

virtuosity is governed by the extent of its musical logic, it has to

be said that her performance

lacked the conviction of her

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itself to our experience, too.

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Brief encounter

precede Schumann's Frauenliebe und Leben by his two Lieder der Braut, little studies in tender, nervous expectation which may have been intended by Schuman as reassurance for his future wife. Clara. The final whispered cry of "Lass Mich" became absorbed into the piano's prelude to the cycle; it became clear what was the other important contributory factor to Price's performance.

lo Graham Johnson, Price has found an accompanist who seemed to sense, even anticipate. every movement of her nervous antennae. Throughout the Beethoven, he had tautened and underlined the voice, alternately nudged and nourished its progress. There was a constantly self-renewing, often spontaneous train of re-action between voice and keyboard.

It made "Ich kann's nicht fussen" move at the speed of thought; it turned "Du Ring an meinem Finger" into an overheard soliloguy; and it gave Price the confidence to open both voice and heart io one of her finest performances in recent years.

In this respect, Jeffrey Tale's

conducting was less than inspirit-ing. Any tendency to exuberance on the soloist's part in the first

movement was anchored to pedes-

trian rhythm and phrasing, though

the intentionally prominent solo horn was a welcome feature.

The cellist was at her best in the

expressive shading she hrought to

bear on particular phrases, here and in the linking cadenza be-

tween the two later movements,

though the finale achieved an

effect more dutiful than exhilar-ating. Neither of these works, with

their clarity of texture and rel-

atively limited orchestras, had much relevance, either of conlext

or contrast, to Bruckner's Ninth

Symphony as the concert's second

In a performance that con-

stantly seemed to anticipate more

than it over achieved, it was strange to note the central scherzo

movement almost perversely shedding the sinister qualities

usually associated with it, in favour of a positively balleuc

charm, from stamping dance to

Otherwise, the performance was of a kind to siress Bruckner'a

naivety of thought and character

rather than disguise it, and al-though there was resonance and warmth in the orchestral playing,

the outer movements seemed to be only tentatively explored.

Hilary Finch

JAZZ

Gang of Three/ **Human Chain** ICA, London

Just when fusion music appeared to have exhausted its limited vocabulary, along comes Gang Of Three, an imaginative young trio led by the saxophouist David O'Higgins.

Opening a concert celebrating the 50th edition of Wire music magazine, the band combined high volume riffs with thoughtful arrangements of bebop classics and jazz-funk routines.

A graduate of the National Youth Jazz Orchestra, O'Higgins possesses the cool, confident demeanour of a rock star and a tone which inclines towards the patron saiot of fusion players, Michael Brecker. Since leaving NYJO he has turned op in a number of different settings, including the jazz-rock quartet Roadside Picnic and the relentlessly commercial Mezzoforte.

In the Gang Of Three he is matched against the agile bassist Laurence Cottle and the drummer Mike Bradley, who switched comfortably between n solid backbeat and more sophisticated jazz rhythms. On "Donna Lee" and "Freedom Jazz Dance" the group developed an almost tele-pathic understanding as they swerved through the changes in tempo.

O'Higgins's own compositions, "Raining" and "In An Ideal World" were, understandably, less assured, the latter sounding like n romantic interlude from the latest Hollywood teen film. Happily, there was a return to form in Tower Of Power's strutting "Ebony Jam".

Later. Diango Bates took to the stage in dressing gown and bobble hat to lead Human Chain into fragmentary pieces inspired by Japanese flower-arranging and the like. As with their Purcell Room recital last autumn, much of the interest lay in counting the oumber of instruments on display: Stuart Hall alose managed to play violin, bass, pedal steel guitar, piccolo and gultar. Since Bates and the drammer

Steve Arguelles are both members of Loose Tubes, it is hardly surprising that Human Chain's music is full of ingratiating humour and cross-cultural references. One day, no doubt, someone will call it post-modern.

Clive Davis

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True but trite

THEATRE

The Little Heroine Nuffield, Southampton

On the posters for Nell Duno's

new play, her first since the success Secaming, the final "e" of the litle is set in different type, thrusting the other letters into eyecatching prominence. Drugs is what this play is about: a poor-little rich ex-addict's summer-long struggle, to keep herself and her dippy boyfriend off "smack".

We are introduced to young Esther on the day her exquisitely successful father (Michael Culver) brings her back from her cure. They play a duct on the piano he has bought for her, and he draws our attention to the pair of Rennie Mackintosh chairs, climbing like hlack ladders against the rear window of the prettily arranged set (by Jane Green). But what are wealth and taste, without the wise love that permits the growing child to discover its true self?

in a playwright's manual, Esther's over-loving father is contrasted with Jonny's cootemptuous mother, a ludicrously unlikely character, who comes effing and blinding after her errant lad -"You never cared about me!" "I sacrificed my life for you! — and gratingly played by Georgina Hale, smacking her lips at words like peach and paradise. You can hear the p's bounciog off the walls. I did not see Steaming but

As though following guidelines

cannot believe it took so summary a route through the lives of its characters. Esther needs time to find herself, Joney stays with her: she finds his presence irksome. after leaving, he comes back.

Katharine Schlesinger, entrancingly beautiful, gives urgency to her protests, and Greg Cruttwell has his moments as the workshy Jonny. But the occasionally perceptive lines, or even short scenes, do not dispel the stale air of contrivance that hangs over the whole enterprise. Director: Ian

Jeremy Kingston

Love and

Winter in the Morning

Watford Palace Theatre

The Warsaw ghetto, scene of Jacqui Shapiro's new play, based on the autobiography of Janina Banman, is represented by ripped-up baroque nrches supported hy titans, bowed not just by the weight of stone. In froot of them the designer, Voytek, has positioned two great piles, of boots on one side, trunks on the other, unavoidably suggestive of the great pile of corpses which the ghetto was to become.

The air of faded grandeur is appropriate to the Bauman family middle-class people, hanging on to both possessions and codes of a different time. When the play opens (it is early 1940, just before the establishment of the ghetto), Janina is a naive 14 year old, notably less street-wise than her friends Zula (Susannah Harker), a

(Laurence Kennedy).

Jacqui Shapiro's most cuooing and telling device is the use of a cabatet double act (supported by offstage clarinet, accordion and percussion) to provide links between scenes and times and an authentically Jewish comic commentary, which takes self-mock-ery to the hrink of self-annihilation

This may suggest a comparison with the film Caharet, but life for the Baumans, mother and daugh-ter, is shorn of any glamour. Rohin McCaffiey, while retaioing a winning girlishness, is impressive in showing Janina's sudden

growing-up Sometimes I felt that Jacqui Shapiro's play, inclined towards a rather bald literalness, could have done with more fantasy. But Lou Stein guides the fine cast sen-sitively and they produce serious, rewarding drama which poses questions about survival and love.

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Declining the American Empire

t would be unwise to assume that the relationship between Britain and America will continue indefi-nitely in its present form." "Close Andrei Navrozov scans the transatlantic horizon and finds one book on New York and one on Anglo-American relations. He likes one and dislikes the other personal friendships alone will not insulate traditional policies weighs in at 36 tons), compared to America's 68 million (including 203 against changing international realities." "Today America is painfully adapting to

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measure the cost of banality in blood and tears. Instead, while becoming increasingly telegenic, the pundits have grown more and more intellectually

This book about the "special relation-ship" between the US and Britain is an encyclopaedia of received wisdom, from the Mayflower to the "remarkable personal alliance" of two leaders who "had restored their countries' pride" and a third, Mikhail Gorbachov, "who was anxious to reduce the defence burden on the inefficient Russian economy". Actually, as of 1982, Russia produced 142 million tons of steel a year (a T-72 tank thousand tons for "all ordnance and other military uses"). True, under Mr Gorbachov, titanium rather than steel is beginning to be used in submarine construction, but otherwise one doubts that the "defence burden" is a source of

much anxiety to him. As for the Reagan-Thatcher "personal alliance", 12 lines on we find "Reagan and Gorbachov... chatting like old friends around the fireside in Geneva." Where's Mrs Thatcher? Old friendships, it ap-pears, are even more remarkable than personal alliances.

One might mention that "the movies, music, make-up and the monarchy all play their part. The magnificently inventive alliteration (you have, of course, noticed that many of the words here begin with the letter "m") is the blurb-writers', not the authors', achievement yet somehow it captures the spirit of the whole effort better than any single example. Still, the urge to quote from the conclusion of Chapter 14, "Living in the American Age", is more than a far less

bewildered reviewer can hope to sup-press. Brazen, monstrously glib, and feeble-minded as the authors are as historians, it is their philosophical insights that open new vistas into the ageless realm of imagination-defying, toe-curling twaddle: "For the modern world was becoming 'a global village' in which the winds of change blew from many directions, not just one." In short, as Cicero would have said had he lived to see it on television: O Dimbleby! O'

The reference of the famous citizen of-Rome is not out of place as we turn to Imperial City, a portrait of New York by Geoffrey Moorhouse. After the phantasmagoric tele-glimpse of Uncle Sam chatting up the Russian Bear on Wogan, it seems a relief, a welcome reminder that people still can and do write books. Like all books, it has strengths and weaknesses, yet its very flaws seem modest, civilized, even noble, when compared with the vacuous shrillness of Anglo-American platitudinizing.

Mr Moorhouse's greatest strength is his patient, observant prose:

Be different at any cost became the watchword now, and it has produced some truly eye-catching shapes, chiefly to impress inspectors of the horizon, it sometimes seems; for it is, after all. difficult to appreciate a skyscraper from the adjacent sidewalk unless you lie flat on your back.

One gets the distinct feeling that the author has done just that, lain on his back under the Chrysler Building and every other protuberance and incurvity to be found on the island of Manhattan, enjoying everything that, to a native New Yorker, is more often than not just a city and a bit of a nuisance.

his, of course, is the trav-eller's prerogative, and Mr Moorhouse exercises it combining the enthusiasm of Alexis de Tocqueville with Guglielmo Ferrero. Little of what actually stands or moves in New York has escaped his attention, from the Abyssinian Baptist Church of Harlem to

Mortimer Zuckerman, from Louis Au-chincloss to Zabar's Delicatessen.

The greatest flaw of this entertaining and factual book is the author's inability or unwillingness to look beneath the surface of people and institutions, fascinating as that surface may be for a foreign observer and his intended audience. New York's intellectual and cultural insularity, for instance camouflaged as it is by the city's "international" reputation — is a unique condition that invites diagnosis, yet Mr Moorhouse seems to accept the bluff at face value. He is equally reticent about New York's status as a one-newspaper city and the deadly role of The New York Times, its one "quality paper" since the collpse of The New York Tribune a generation ago, as the national arbiter on all matters cultural and political.

On the eve of the First World War, Guglielmo Ferrero, the now almost forgonen chronicler of the self-destruction of the Roman Republic, was largely optimistic as he drew a parallel between the civilizations in Ancient Rome and Modern America. For the most part, so is Mr Moorhouse, charmed by the "slightly rotten apple" of today. One can only hope that, in the long run at least, history proves these visitors right.

See Naples and laugh

Captain Morphic

The best scientific practice is no longer magical. The mod-ern chemist does not feel the need to mutter any particular incantation over his reaction-vessels; the modern engineer seldom christens his structures in blood to appease the local demons; even those who read and write the astrological sections of our popular press do not seriously believe in a magical connection between the movements of the planet and human affairs. Rupert Sheldrake, however,

the loss of its economic supremacy and at the same time, establishing a more

structured if still adversarial relationship

with the Soviet Union." These three

hoary cliches occur on page 333 of the Dimbleby Reynolds exercise in trans-

atlantic banality. An Ocean Apart, devel-

oped from the BBC TV series of the same

The perfect cliché is always an equation with more than a single unknown conceptual vagaries like in-

definitely", "changing", or "structured" give their authors enough latitude to

witness the Second Coming and claim to have prophesied it. If men's opinions

and ideas matter at all, such shameless

fence-straddling cannot be dismissed as a

quaint trait of the international-relations crowd. In 1938, its brightest lights hailed the Munich Pact as "far-reaching and pregnant with hope". It was that all right,

as any fool could tell at the time, but not

for Czechoslovakia; as for its ultimate

effect, it should have taught the world to

wants to put the clock back. His book, The Presence of the Past (his second publication on the topic), suggests that the world is, after all, governed by sympathetic magic. He doesn't call it that, of course; he gives it a proper pseudo-scientific name "the morphogenetic field". He posits uncounted millions of such fields, superimposed throughout all space and enduring through time, each one with the job of keeping its own bit of nature in line. There's a special forglove field, for example, evolved over the ages by the accu-mulated forms of all past foxgloves, whose "morphic resonance" causes each new foxglore to resemble its ancestors. There's another for sugar crystals, which makes sure that new sugar crystallizes in the same patterns that sugar has traditionally adopted. And there's one for gevery aspect of human and nimal behaviour, making it easier for every species to do the things which that species has done in the past. The

overall notion is that the

regularities of nature are not

Time was when a children's

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ing about steam engines you never knew if the next page would lead you to an episode from Alice or instructions on

how to make a model village

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David Jones

THE PRESENCE OF THE PAST By Rupert Sheldrake

Collins, £15

they are merely "habits", slowly evolving and stabilizing over time as past experience builds up in millions of

As a scientific theory this is outrageously uneconomic. The established mechanisms of genetics already provide a perfect believable account of why a foxglove should resemble its progenitors. Molecular physics already has a very clear picture of crystalformation. The whole supercolossal andetectable magical apparatus of morphogenetic machinery has practically nothing to do. To be taken seriously, a theory should not make more arbitrary assumptions than it has facts to explain. Furthermore, it should make specific

To his credit. Sheldrake rises to this challenge. He does suggest a variety of experiments, most intriguingly in the field of human learning. Thus he reckons that it should be easier for an Englishman to learn a Persian unrsery-rhyme than a set of Persian nonsensesyllables, both being equally unintelligible to him, because the morphogenetic field ablished by the generations of Persian-speakers to whom the rhyme has been familiar. Such an effect, essentially a form of collective time-spanning telepathy, does not ac-tually contradict any known physical principle, since the activities of conscious minds (unlike those of sugar crystals) are still outside the region in which the writ of physics runs. So far the results of such tests display the usual ambiguous and arguable and possibly positive results so infuriat-ingly characteristic of paranormal investigations.

But even a positive result to such a test would not save morphogenetic theory from being nonsense. It is so vast and formless that it could easily be made to explain anything, or to dodge round any opposing argument— though I would like to know, for example, why the massive past has not by now made all foxgloves totally identical. Sheidrake has sadly aligned himself with those fantasists who, from the depths of their armchairs, dream up whole new grandiose theories of space and time to revolutionize all science, drape their woolly generalizations over every nomenon they can think of, and thea start looking round for whatever scraps of evideuce that seem to them to be in their favour. With his scientific background, he ought to know that this k wrong order of precedence. Let him obtain some real, unarguable, reproducible experimental results: and we will then see what is the minimum medification of existing theory required to accommodate them. Meanwhile, the whole unwieldy and redundant struc-ture of his theory falls to Occum's Razor.

is subversive: kings may be mocked off their thrones. Any King of Naples became a clown by taking the job, and the city's only revolutionary hero. Masianello, was the player of a com dell'arte in the course of which a few bundred died. If Naples means more to you than ice cream, you must read this book, which does what only the best of comedies may do. It transforms a foreign world into an arena of delight and new consideration. The road from Corfu to

We only have Robin Hood, and we know that he is more

myth than matter of fact. But

in Naples, theft is good where property is movable, robbing

the rich is the only way the poor may live, and Maid Marian is certainly a mother,

if not a whore, Thus Spake

Bellavista is a most engaging

and amusing book about a city

which lives to surrender to its

conquerors in order to exploit

them. The dialogues of

Luciano de Crescenzo's Professor with his assistant

deputy porter Salvatore and

the unemployment artist

Saverio are those of Socrates

with Monty Python. Yet from

them emerge uproarious explanations of the feckless anarchy of Naples, which has

always deluded its many

occupiers and enraptured its

The old saying is - see Naples and die. After this

book, it will be - See Naples

and laugh. The best of humour

London through Italy is familiar, but Stephen and Violet provoke new views of old ways. Susan Barrett sets her situation well and drives it home. The aged Violet suffers from an infected leg in Greece and is abandoned in hospital by her tour. Her uncouth great-nephew Stephen conveys her back to England in his van. Two generations and many assumptions and all the seven deadly virtues divide

the old from the young. Susan Barrett has a direct style. She writes plainly, without nonsense. This appears to be so exactly how it is and was that Stephen and Violet seems no fiction. The events may never have happened, but they are the facts dictated by a true imagination. The novel is a documentary of a journey involving two characters whose credibility is stamped on the pages like a visa on a

Out of Mind is a mental odyssey into disintegration and nothingness. A man in his

FICTION

Andrew Sinclair

THUS SPAKE BELLAVISTA By Luciano de Crescenzo Translated by Avril Bardoni Picador, £10.95 STEPHEN AND VIOLET By Susan Barrett Collins, £10.95

OUT OF MIND By J. Bernlet Translated by Adrienne Dixoo Faber, £10.95

FORTY STORIES By Donald Barthelme Secker & Worburg, £10.95

70s begins to forget, to deny. He cannot understand what he is doing. His loving wife cannot support the senility of her spouse, but the remembrance of their 50 years together give her a measure of strength and tolerance. It is a leads to the actual crack-up of the prose. The book ends in random throughts, small phrases, the series of dots that signify breaks in thought and sense and the signs for infinity. J. Bernlef has won literary prizes in Holland for his understanding of the deteriorating intellect and the aged. Out of Mind could not be better written, but is gruelling to read.

inconsequences of the Forty Stories by Donald Barthelme have nothing to do with forgetfulness. He seeks to tease with incongruity, to shock by contradictions, to stimulate by applying a non sequitur like a cattle prod. He has read his Sterne, and black squares ornament one story so that anything may be read into them. Mock Victorian eichings illustrate another couple of tales with wondrous cap-tions — my favourite is of a volcanic outburst, tagged with the comment: "We auditioned an explosion."

Barthelme's stories require a special taste. They are surreal, their humour is pitchblende, their vagaries lead to surprised recognition or amused rage. To my mind, he occupies a special place in the art of the short story where only Borges may dare to tread.

about Bartok

CHILDREN

Brian Alderson

CHILDREN'S BRITANNICA **Fourth Edition** 20 vols

Edited by James Somerville Encyclopaedia Britannica Inc., £249

Dialect etc.).
But is it worth it? Is an whose "Micropacdia" many of the present articles seem to be based? If your child imposing enterprise like this needed to bridge the gap is up to reading the four columns on PROBABILITY, between simple, unambitious children's encyclopaedias, like or if he has conceived a passion for BARTOK, will be

not be on the brink of seeking out more substantial treat-ments than be gets here? As it happens, those two articles summarize quite well the strengths and weaknesses of the Encyclopaedia, which

(fourth edinon or not) is faced

with the impossible task of presenting a world of complex relationships to readers of uncertain maturity.
PROBABILITY exemplifies how well the scientific and factual articles provide systematic explanations that lead step-by-step from the obvious to the more obscure, although once an historical dimension is brought in there is confusion over what needs to be said and how to incorporate it. BARTOK shows that such a wobbly approach to the humane arts is not an isolated weakness. Time and again the editors fail in their treatment of non-specific matters involving feeling and interpretation. The real Bartok is hidden behind trite sum-maries of life and works (which include the erroneous information that he only wrote one violin concerto). Oddly, for a children's

encyclopaedia, the articles on

children's books and writers

are particularly wrong-

For sure the editorial team has worked hard to make Children's Britannica a comprehensive and up-to-date work. The spread of subjects is carefully chosen; there are sensible notes already on, say, contemporary word-proces-sors, Zurbriggen's 1987 sla-lom, Aids, the mechanics of the indexing are excellent. It is true that the book's American origins remain apparent (big coverage of all those States; American Literature with the same space as English), but the fluctuating levels in the treatment of subjects - and much careless proof-reading (eg Jane Austin; Fleurs de Mal) – raise doubts about editorial perceptiveness. And since the thing will surely be called upon by "young students" for their school projects it could usefully have given more direc-

tions about the information

that is still to be had from real

There were giants then: The Best of Plays and Players 1953-1968, edited by Peter Roberts (Methuen, £14.95) covers the years in which British Theatre gave us Waiting for Godot Look Back in Anger, and The Royal Hunt of the Sun and reviewers such as Caryl Brahms Frank Marcus and Tom Stoppard. Above: Olivier in Strindberg's The Dance of Death. **NEW BOOKS**

The Deputy Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

Quiller Couch. A Portrait of Q, by A.L. Rowse (Methuen, Chatter Couch. A Petrtan of C. by A.L. Howse (Metruen, £14.95) One Cornishman rubs the back of another.

Remarriage. What makes it. What breaks it, by Helen Franks
(The Bodley Head, £12.95) The triumph of hope over experience.

Rubik's Cube Compendium, by Erno Rubik, Tamás Varge.

Gerzson Kári, György Marx, and Tamás Vekerdy (OUP, £14.95)

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your scumbling.
Cardus on Music. A centenary collection, edited by Donald
Wright (Hamish Hamilton £16.95) Tales from the old Manchester

Hitler's Gladiator, by Charles Messenger (Brassey's, £14.95)
The life and times of Oberstgruppenführer and PanzergeneralOberst der Walten-SS Joseph (Sepp) Dietrich. Collins Concise Dictionary. New Edition. Chief Editor Patrick Hanks. (29.95) Aardvark to Zymurgy. Holland, by Adam Hopkins (Faber, 214.95) Brief history of what Donne called the "Spungle hydroptique Dutch." Strange

The Final Frontier. The rise and fall of the American Rocket State, by Dale Carter (Haymarket, £24.95) Weird history of the space race, beginning with Pynchon's Gravity's Rainbow and ending with Dr Strangerove's "Mein Führer, I can walk!". Shakespearean Negotiations. The circulation of Social Energy in Renalssance England, by Stephen Greenblatt (OUP, £22.50) Exorcism, cross-cressing, colonial propaganda and

martial law codes in the Bard.

The Unresolvable Plot. Reading Contemporary Fiction, by
Elizabeth Dipple (Routledge, £25) "Elizabeth Dipple is anxious to
dispel readers' fears about contemporary texts." Perfect for sufferers from Nabokov-angst, Beckett-fear, Borges-terror, and general undirected bibliophobia.

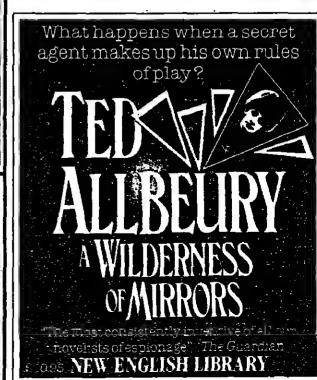


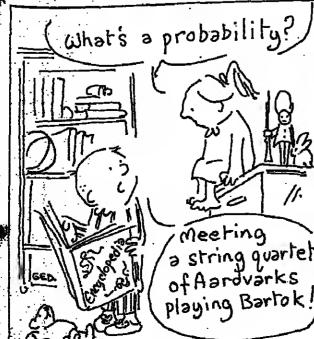
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FILMS

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BABETTE'S FEAST (U): One of Karen Bixen's lighter tales, immaculately transferred to the screen by a fellow Dsne, Gabriel Axel. With Stephane Audran as a famous Paristan chef who tests her skills on an austere religious community (105 min). Renoir (01-837 8402). Progs 2.10, 4.20, 8.35, 8.50.

E DRAGNET (PG): Lavish attempt to parody the Fifties TV police series, with Dan Aykroyd and Tom Hanks. Directed by Tom Mankiewicz (106 min). 2: Plaza (01-437 1234). Progs 1.15, 3.45, 6.15, 8.45.

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If FATAL ATTRACTION (18): A spurned lover (Glenn Close) takes revenge on Michael Douglas, his wife (Anne Archer) and family. Adrian Lyne directs this unsettling thriller (119 min). Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.30, 5.25, 8.20. Progs 2.15, 8.10, 9.15. Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.30, 5.00, 8.00. Riaza (01-200 0200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30,

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HOPE AND GLORY (15): John Booman's autobiographical account of an ordinary family living through the extraordinary days of the London biltz, Vivid, anecdotal; with Sabastian Rice-Edwards and Sammi Davis (113 min). Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.20, 3.40, 6.05, 8.25. Cannon Prince Charles (01-437 8181), throat 1.20, 2.10, 5.40, 8.05.

Bertolucci's gorgeously photographed epic tells the extraordinary story of Pu Yi, China's last imperial ruler, who lived to become a model Communist citzen, With John Lone, Peter O'Toole (162

min). Lumière (01-836 0691). Progs 1-20, 4.35, 7.55,

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LONDON

☆ BLOODY POETRY: Nigel Terry plays
Byron and Mark Rytance is Shelley in
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"Three Plays for Utopia".
Royal Court Theatre, Stoane Square,
London SW3 (01-730, 1745). Tube,
Stoane Square, Mon-Sat 8-10,30pm,
mats Sat 4-6.30pm (but not April 9).
Previews until April 12, 8-10.30 pm.
Mon; all seats £4, Tues-Sat eve £5-£12,
Sat mat £4-£9.

★ THE COMMON PURSUIT: Simon Gray play traces the fortunes of undergraduate friends; splendid cast led by Rik Msyall, John Sessions, Stephen Fry, John Gordon Sinclair.

Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Opens tonight 7-9.15pm, then Mon to Thurs 8-10.15pm; Fri and Sat 8-8.15pm. £6-£14.50.

☆ COWBOYS: Red Shift take a satiric look at the Wild West myth by hoicking an English cowboy freak back in time to Gate Theatre, Prince Albert Pub, 11
Pembridge Road, London W11 (01-229
0706), Tube: Notting Hill Gate. Mon-Set
7.45-9.40pm, £4.

☆ EXIT ENTRANCE: Play by Aldan Mathews, a sell-out at Dublin's Abbey Theatre: en ageing couple review their lives, a younger couple look forward in hone

hose.

Domar Warehouse, 41 Eartham Street, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Covent Garden, Mon to Sat 8.00pm; mats Wed and Sat 5pm, £5-£10.

☆ LETTICE AND LOVAGE: Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging eccentric war against the modern world in Peter Shaffer's new cornedy. Globe Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3957). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat, 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-5.30pm, £7.50-£14.50. (D)

☆ THE MUSICAL COMEDY MURDERS OF 1940: New York cornedy-thriller starring Simon Cadell, Tom Baker, Margaret Courtnay, Sheila Steafel, Maria Friedman: set in a country mansion cut off (you guessed) by snow. Greenwich Theatre, Crooms Hill SE10 (01-858 7755). Train: Greenwich. Monsat 7.45pm, mats Sat 2.30pm, £3-£10.

★ NANA: Shared Experience's vigorous production of Zola's tale of the color of Zola's tale of tale of the color of Zola's tale of tal cadent abandon in fin de siècle Paris. Mermaid Theatre, Puddle Dock ECA (01-236 5568), Tube: Blackfriars, Mon-Fri 7.30-9.30pm, Sat 8-10pm, mats Wed 3pm-5pm and Sat 4.30-6.30pm, £8-£10.50.

☆ THE TUTOR: Drama by 18th century playwright Reinhold Lenz, adapted by Brecht; set in Prussia after the Seven Years War and directed by revered Brechtian actress, Angelica Hurwicz, Old Vic Theetre, Waterloo Road SE1 (01-928 7616), Tube: Waterloo, Mon-Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 7.45-10.45pm, Mats Wed 2.30-5.30pm and Sat 4-7pm, £4-£14.

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WORD-WATCHING Answers from page 20 LERRUP

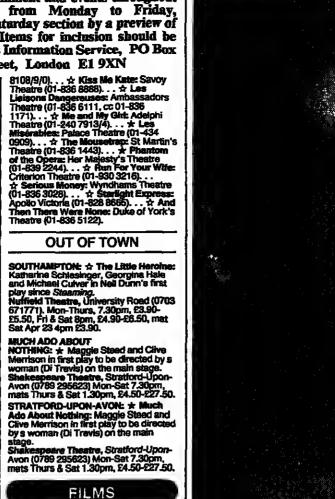
(c) Cornish dialect for a clumsy person who takes his time to lumber about; a gart lump; origin obscure. LULIBUB

LULIBUS

(a) The earlier form of lollipop, origin obscure, possibly connected with the Northern dialect lolly the tongue: "Severall little Calchouses where you have fruits lulibubs and sumes Liquours." SNASH

(b) To use impertment and abusive language, probably imitative; cog-nate Germanic words mean to bite at hastily and noisily, e.g. the West Frisian mazie, and the Middle Low German snascherie the eating of

ANGINETTI (c) A variety of round, flaky, delicious Italian biscuits, literally



Barry White: homespun heavyweight amorous deep-voiced disco/soul

MAURICE (15): Set before the First World War, E M Forster's novel about Oxbridge gaiety, with James Wilby as the suffering Maurice and Rupert Graves as the gamekeeper with whom he fells in love (140 min). Cannon Piccadilly (01-437 3561). Progs 2.20, 5.10, 8.00.

MOONSTRUCK (PG): Should Cher play MOONSTRUCK (PG): Should Cher play it safs and many Danny Aiello, or follow her heart and go for his brother, Nicholas Cage? Norman Jewison took the Best Director prize at the Berlin Film Festival for this winning comedy-drama (nominated for six Oscars) (102 min). 22 Cannon Fullium Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 6.10, 9.10. Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.55, 3.55, 6.15, 8.30.

 SOMEONE TO WATCH OVER ME
 (15): Ridley Scott's showy visual style
 dominates this police thriller, in which dominates this poice timiler, in which rookle Tom Berenger is assigned to protect s well-heeled witness to a brutal murder (106 min).

2 Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252), Progs 1.10, 3.40, 5.10, 8.45.

THREE MEN AND A BABY (PG): Brash Hollywood remaks of a flimsy French success. Tom Selleck, Ted Danson and Steve Guttenberg play confirmed bachelors suddenly thrust into the problems of babycare. Leonard Nimoy directs. (103 min). S Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). 12.45, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45,

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TELEVISION TOP 10

Breaklast television: The average weekly figures for audiences at peak times (with figures is parenthesis showing the reach - the number of people who wewed for at least three minutes):

Source: Broadcasters' Audience Research Board

JAZZ

☆ FAST COLOUR: Drummer John Stevens brings together star instrumentalists Harry Beckett (trumpet), Annie Whitehead (trombone) and Dudu Pukwana (reeds) for some arduous free-flavoured improvisation.

100 Club, Oxford Street, London W1

* PHAROAH SANDERS: A Coltrans acolyte, his current album Africa includes a cover version of the classic ballad "Naims". Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747) 8.30pm, £8 (members £2)

☆ JAZZ TRAIN It: Given enough rehearsal time, Simon Purcell's hard bop septet, featuring Julian Arguelles and Iain Ballamy, can build up a feasome head of steam with its Blue

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& THE BLUES BAND: Welcome return of Paul Jones, Dave Kelly and Tom McGuinness, but what happened to Hughie Fint? Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London NW10 (07-961 5490)

* JOYCE SIMS: Soul singer who made the breakthrough earlier this year with "Come Into My Life". Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, £6.50-£8.50, for two nights.

ART GARFUNKEL: OF Bright Eyes touring to promote a new album Moment Of Truth, which sounds uncomfortably like all his other records. Bournemouth International Centre, Exeter Road (0202 297297) 7.30pm, £9-£13.

& ALICE COOPER: The Seventies heavy rock pantomime ghoul with his latest catalogue of malign routines. Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middlesex (01-902 1234) 7.30pm, £9.50-£10.50.

DANCE

or recent works by Jonathan Lunn danced by London Contemporary Dance Theatre members plus 4D Dance Group. The Place Theatre, Dukes Rd, WC1 (01-

202881).

☆ ALICE IN WONDERLAND: Lewis Carroll adapted for Northern Ballet Theare with Aurora's Wedding. Towngate Theatre, Kangland Road, Poole (0202 685222), 7.45-9.45, £6.30. ★ SYMPHONIC VARIATIONS: Frederick Ashton's lyrical masterpiece to Cesar Franck music for the Royal Ballet is given with Balanchine's Bugaku and David Bintley's "Still Life" At The Penguine Cafe.

Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, WC2 (01-240 1066) 7.30-9.45pm, £1-£30.

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White was born in Galveston

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succession of million-selling singles including "Can't Get Enough Of Your Love Babe" and "You're The First, The Last, My Everything". Now the treacle-voiced

Lothario follows up the musical

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night, NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133) 7.30pm, £9.50-£11.50; to-morrow and Sat, Royal Albert Hall, London SW7 (01-589 8212);

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☆ CATYA KARANOVA: Spirited revival of Graham Vick's Janacek production at Opera North, with Elddwen Harrhy in the title role and Elgar Howarth conducting. Grand Theatre, New Briggate, Leeds (0532-459351), 7.15-9.46pm, 23.80-217.80;

th NELSON: See caption. Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191). 7.45-10.15pm, £4.50-£9.00).



The 85th birthday of Sir Leanox Berkeley (above), will be cele-brated a month early tonight by the enterprising Chelsea Opera Group, who are staging a concert performance of his first opera Nelson (see listing). It is an apt setting: when the work was first performed in 1953, with Peter Pears at the belm, torn between the call of the sea and that of Lady Hamilton, it was with piano accompaniment. Justin Lavender takes the title role tonight, with Christine Bunning as his lady.

* THE MAGIC FLUTE: Nicholas * I me maker PLUTE: Notices Hyther's truly magical new production for English National Opera congers memorable performances from Helen Field as Parmina and Lesley Garrett as

Papagena. Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3181), 7-10pm, £2-£21.50.

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★ WEI'S WAY: The prize-winning Xue Wai solos in Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra under Nicholas Cleobury. Fore and aft: Martinu's Prescoes of Piero della Francesca and Purchk's Symphony No.8. Dvorák's Symphony No 8. Weymouth Pavillion, The Esplanade, Weymouth (0305 783225), 7.30pm, £3.20-£7.

★ TATE/LPO: Jeffrey Tate conducts the LPO in Dvorák's Symphony No 3, Beethoven's Violin Concerto (Kyung Wha Chung, soloist) and movements from Alban Berg's Lyric's Suite.
Royal Feetival Hall, South Bank, London S€1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.30-9.30pm, £2.90-£15.

☆ TOULOUSE SAQUEBOUTIERS: With ormetts, sackbutts and Sally Bradshaw (soprano) Les Saqueboutiers de Toulouse present three canzoni by Riccio, sk madrigals by Monteverdi, Kerll's Capriccio on the Theme of Le Coucou, Grandis Salve Regina, Frescobaldis La Bergamasca — all music from Venice 1610-30. Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London Wi (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, E4.

* KAMU CONCERT: The Halle Orchestra is conducted by Okko Kamu In Mozart's Eine kline Nachtmusik, Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto with Igor Oistraid as soloist and Sallinen's Symphony No 5. Free Trade Hall, Peter St, Menchester (061-834 1712), 7.30pm, £2-£10.

☆ THOMAS TWICE: In the first of two concerts with the LSO Michael Tilson Thomas conducts Richard Strauss's symphonic poem Till Eulenspiegel, Havel's Rapsodie Espagnis and Ma Mère l'Oye, and in Liszt's Concerto No 1 the soloist is the great planist Jorge Rolet.

Bolet. Barbican Centre, Silk St, London EC2 (01-628 8795, cc 01-638 8891), 7.45-9.45pm, £5-£75.

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4.35 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter
5.35 Neighbours (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue
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international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30; regional news and travel reports at 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; and weather at 7.25, 7.45

10 talk to the producer, Simon Betts, or the presenter, Angela Rippon, ring 061-814 0424. News and weather followed by Daytine Live. 12.55 Regional

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One O'Clock News with Philip
Hayton, Weather, 1.30
Neighbours. Charlene feels
isolated and there is only one

turbulent marriage of an author and a socialite that comes to a

head at the Blair Hospital (r).
3.05 Cartoons 3.25 Kick Start.
The third and final heat of the international motorcycle trials competition.

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12.20 Royal matination Christmas Lectures. In the fifth of a series of

six lectures Professor

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D. Philips discusses the light fantastic (r).

1.20 Hokey Cokey. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

1.35 King of the Rocket Men (b)w). Episode sk of the 12-part cliffnanger serial 1.45 Popeye Classics (b)w).

2.00 News and weather followed by 100 Great Sporting Moments. The time in August 1981 when Seb Coa and Steve Overt made three attempts at the world mile record.

extempts at the workt mile record.

2.15 Racing from Aintree. Action from the first day of the Grand National meeting. Coverage of the Chivas Regal Cup Chase (2.35); the Seegram 100 Pipers Top Novices Hundle (3.10); the Glenilvet Troph Handicap Chase (3.45); and the Champsot

at 3.00 and 3.55.

hereafter. 5.05 My Music. Lighthearted music

Wallace (r).
5.30 Holiday 88 features a cruise from the Mediterranean to

part science fiction story

starring Lorne Greene.

6.45 Tex Avery Double Bill. Two

Chase (3.45); and the Champagne Mumm Club Novices Chase

(4.20). Includes news and weather

analyst Ean Begg's abc-programme personal enquiry into whether or not there is an

quiz presented by Sleve Race. With Frank Muir, Denis

Madeira (r). (Ceefax) Battlestar Galactica — Galactica 1980. The first of a two-

Norden, John Amis and Ian

9.00 Ceefax.
10.50 Film: Mighty Joe Young (1949, b)/w) starring Terry Moore and Flobert Armstrong. The story of a hand-reared gorilla that can only be controlled by the girl who looked after it in the jungle. When he is taken to New York by showing to he a right chin's

6.55 Open University: Social

Ends at 7.20.

7.90 Top of the Pops with Gary Davies and Smon Mayo. 7.30 EastEnders. Sharon takes steps to sort out her personal life; and Chris encourages daughter Mary to attend the Dagmar's disco night in order to take her mind off her problems.

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8.00 Tomorrow's World. New presenter Anna Walker discovers how the British Museum are saving their Victorian books from disintegration; and Howard Stableford reports from California on how a team from the California institute of Tarbodony. California institute of Technology is measuring the temperature at the centre of the earth.

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8.30 Mastermind presented by Magnus Magnusson. The specialist subjects are the history of lawn tennis; the novels of Virginia Woolf; the history of Finland 1809-1917; and Beau Brummet! (1778-1840).

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Philip Hayton. Regional news and

Hayton. Regional news and weather, 9.30 All the Best — Dave Allen, A All the Best — Dave Allen. A compliation of sketches from the Dave Allen at Large series. Stephen Hendry Doing the Business. A profile of the 18-year old Scots snooker prod 1gy, filmed over a period of six months. United Kingdom Dance Championships 1983 introduced by Angela Rippon from the Bournemouth International Centre.

Centre.
The Untouchables (b/w). Eliot
Ness and his team do battle with a
gangster responsible for the
death of a crusading mayor.

Rowan Atkinson stars as Edmund

Lord Blackadder II (BBC2, 9pm)

discussion on Primo Levi's The Drowned and the Saved; and Scottish writer Una Flett talking

about her first novel Revisiting

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Empty Houses.

7.30 The Education Programme.
This last programme of the series
investigates Sheffletd's local
Curriculum Development Initiative.

8.00 Top Gear. This first of a new
series includes a look at the plans
to reopen Brooklands; the
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Cosworth and a test drive of the new Sierra Cosworth; why

cars are rarely serviced property and what can be done

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investigation by John Howard into coastal sawage; and a report on ten of Britain's best beaches.

Beth and Wess — authorized hot poker (r).

9.30 40 Minutes: Who Will Love Bitly? (Cectax) (see Choice)

10.10 Cabaret at the Jongbura. The last in the series starring hermative comedians.

alternative comedians, 10.45 Newsnight 11.30 Weather 11.35 Open University: Weekend Outlook 11.40 Fundamentals of

Computing. Ends 12.10am.

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Virgin Queen, receives a debt-collecting visit from the Bishop of Bath and Wells — armed with a

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6.00 TV-em includes, at 6.30 and 8.00 for an hour Good Morning Britain including news, financial reports, sport, weather

and travel bulletins.
9.25 Thames news.
9.30 Lucky Ladders. Word game
10.00 Santa Barbara 10.25 Vews headling 10.30 The Time. . The Place. . . Miks Scott chairs a discussion nn a topical subject 11.10 Puddle Lane. Puppet show

11.25 Thames news headlines
11.30 My Mariage. The first of a
new series presented by Colin
Morris. Today he taks to Sharon and Roger Twist who have both been married before and had children by their former spouses as well as one of their own. 12.30 The Sulfivans 12.30 Quandaries. Quiz game presented by Matthew Keity. The guest is Bob Carolees.

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1.00 News at One with Julia.

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5.00 ITM Morning News. Ends at

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12.00 Just 4 Fun. Three programmes for young children.

12.30 Business Delly.

1.00 Sesame Street. Educational series for pre-school children. The guest are jazz man Herbie

Hancock and Latin American singing group Menudo. 2.00 Ten Basque Melodies. A music film from Spanish television capturing the life and landscape of the Basque country to a performance of Jesus Guridi's Ten Basque Melodies played by the National Orchestra of Spein conducted by Ataulfo Argenta with dances performed by the Dindirri Dance

Ensemble (r).

2.30 Film: Champagne Chertie
(1944, b/w) starring Tommy
Trinder, Stanley Holloway and Jean Kent. Comedy musical set in the 1860s about the rivalry of two music hall stars whose on-stage feuding in song ends in a real-fifs duel. Directed by Cavalcant.

4.25 World of Animation 4.49 Film: Pay Day (1922, b/w)
starring Charle Chaplen as a
construction worker whose
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leads the foremen to make him
a bridde Life comment of the cliff a bricke. His prowess at this skill becomes famed until a drunken celebration leads to a series of disasters. Directed by

Charlie Chaolin.

5.05 Film: This Man is News (1938, b/w) starring Barry K. Barnes and Valerie Hobson. Comedy there about an investigative newspaper reporter who tracks down a gang of lewel
thleves with the help of his
write. With Alastair Sim as the
man's doubting editor.
Directed by David MacDonald.
6.30 The Sharp End presented by
John Lloyd. In the week the TUC
tries to find a formula for no-

strike deals to please all parties. The Sharp End reports from a Japanese company in Lowestoft where the electricians' union has secured an eight per cent rise for its members using pendulum arbitration. Plus, nurses who are working in the United States reveal why some of them have discovered that the American dream is not for them.

7.00 Channel 4 News with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen.
7.50 Comment from Peter Livesey
on the subject of mountain rescue.

An insurance company hires a private detective and his assistant to investigate a series of

car thefts. Directed by Earl

Followed by Weather. 8.00 Opinions. New York-based indian writer Ved Mehta, author of 12 books including Glandi and His Disciples, talks about his blindness which he has had from the age of three after suffering from meningitis (r) with the help of the Royal Green Jackets, whirls around Witshirs in the hunt for hidden treasure at the behest of studio-based contestants Ann Mitchell and James Williamson, With Kenneth Kendall,

(Oracle)
9.30 Film on Four: Eat the Peach Drilm on Four. Eat the Peach (1986) starring Stephen Brennen, Earnon Morrissey, Catherine Byrne and Niall Tobin. A comedy, based on a true story, about Arthur, a redundant factory worker in southern Ireland who decides to build a motorcycle 'wall of death' on his wife's vegetable patch after seeing Elvis Presley's film, Roustabout. As the height of the wall increases, funds diminish and Arthur is forced to do some cross-border

funds dinmish and Arthur is forced to do some cross-border smuggling for the local 'commodity-relocation' entrepreneur. Directed by Peter Ormod. (Oracle)

11.15 The Terence Devies Trilogy.
Three films about the life of a Liverpool man. In Children ha is a 14-year-old; in Medonia and Children word and Child he is middle-aged and finding conflict between his Roman Catholicism and sexuality; Death and Transfiguration is s kaleidoscope of memories in which the aged man finally comes to terms with himself, his love for his dead mother and

his own mortality. 1.00mm Film: My Dinner With André (1981) starring Wally Shawn and André Gregory. The conversation between a New York playwright and an avant-garde director who are dining together in a restaurant when meeting each other after a space of six years. Directed by Louis Malle. Ends at 3.10.

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10.35 The City Programme: Drugs and the City. An Investigation into drug taking and drug testing in the City.

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12.30am A Problem Aired. Viewers' emotional problems discussed by axperts.

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Should Billy be adopted by a middle-aged and single man? (40 Minutes: Who Will Love Billy? BBC2, 9.30pm)

Desperately seeking daddy

 Having been through the painful process of adopting an older child, I can only admire the sheer guts of an unmarried man of 43, unemployed, who wants to do the job singlehanded. How Dave Johnson sets about it can be seen io 40 Minutes: Wha Will Love Billy? (BBC2, 9.30pm). Dave has looked after his parents in their declining years and now wants to spend his life getting pleasure from watching the progress of Billy, a cheerfully aggressive 13-year-old, who goes up to people in the street asking to be adopted. Both are vulnerable and after a brief and cheerful introduction the strains begio to show. For one thing, Billy, about to see Dave's photograph, hopes he will resemble George Michael. He doesn't, and Billy uses Dave's place of origin for a cruel jibe. "Tyne and Wear? Tired and weird." And there is a significant exchange betweeo the two when Billy says sharply, "I dnn't need a minder". "What do you need?" Dave asks. "Nothing,"

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says Billy. In social work jargon, youngsters are now being placed with non-traditinnal" (ie single-parent) families and everyooe is coofident that Dave's credentials are impeccable. Some adop-tion workers, though, still ask whether a single man should be able to adopt a teenage boy. A boy says on a video, "Come on somebody out there and adopt me. . nr lli box you in the teeth." Dave has had to undergo many tests before he even sees Billy and admits that "the emotional stress of waiting is very wearying". He admits to other dnubts as well. 'lt's exhausting — when you get so tired, how are you going to cope?" I am sworn to secrecy on the outcome of this attempt to draw together two lonely people. But there are still far too many lonely children out there.

Ken Gosling

The ballet builder

 Somewhere along the way, the uniqueness of the world of ballet and ballet dancers have managed to evade Sue MacGregor in her Conversation Piece interview with Dame Alicia Markova (Radin 4, 11.25am). Perhaps the fault is oot hers. In life, there are those who do things and those who like talking about doing things, and I suspect Dame Alicia is one of the former - a pioneer who is not io the Ninette de Valois category, perhaps, oor as much a vision-ary as Marie Rambert, but a woman who lent her delicate shoulders to the mighty task of erecting a truly British ballet tradition. One thing this week's edition of Conversation Piece does well is to remind us of the formidable list of "firsts" that attach to Dame Alicia's name. She was for instance, the first British ballerina to dance Giselle and to tackle the taxing Odette-Odile double in Swan Lake. And when British televisinn first flirted with classical bal-

British ballet (R4, 11.25am)

greats" of her profession -Diaghilev, Ashton, et el - that ened her face, blackened her justice.

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7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert contd:
Copland (Letter from Home: LSO under the composer); Nielsen (Springtime in Funen, Op 42: University Choir Life Muko, St Klemens School Children's Choir and Odense SO under Tamas Veto); Beethoven (Romance No 2 in F, Op 50: Philharmonia unde

Furtwärgler with Yehudi Menuhin); Stanford (Irish Rhapsody No 5: Ulster Orchestra under Handley) 8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Tchakorsky, Recordings of
Caritata: Moscow (USSR
Radio Chorus and Hadio Cinorus and Orchestra under Rozhdestvensky, with Nina Zaborskith, mezzo-soprano, and Alexei Polyakov, baritone) and Concert Fantasy (LPO under Weier, with Dmitris

Sgouros, plano) 9.35 Hartiey Plano Trio: Performance of Gordon Crosse's Piano Trio and Dvorak's Piano Trio No 4. Op 90 10.35 Vienna and Points East: Stephen Bennett, clarinet, and Joyce Riddell, piano, perform Leo Weiner's

Peregi verbunk and Rudolf Jettel's Sonata in B flat, Op posth (r) 11.10 Lindsay String Quartet: performance of Haydn's Quartet in E flat, Op 50 No 3 and Bartok's Quartet No 3

11.45 Robert Mayer Concert: French music performed by the London SO under Wordsworth, with Malcolm Messiter, oboe, recorded at the Royal Festival Hall last month. Chabrier's Espane; Ravel's Pavane pour une Françaix's L'Horloge de flore; Fauré's Overture to Masques et bergamasques; and Poulenc'e Suite: Les

1.05 News 1.05 John Ogdon: Plano recital. Constant Lambert's Sonata (1928-30); Trevor Hold'e Will Kemp – His Nine Daies Wonder; and Michael Tippett's Sonata No 1 (1938)

2.10 Norwegian Moods: Berwald (Symphonic poem,

under Bjorlin); Ole Bull (Visit to e Summer Farm: Bergen SO under Karsten Andersen with Arve Tellefsen, violin); and Stravinsky (Four Norwegian Moods: Cleveland Orchestra under Chailly)

2.40 Russian Violin and Plano Music I vrille Mortifopritch

Hussian Violin and Hand Music: Lydia Mordkovitch and Roger Vignoles play Prokofiav's Fiva Melodias, Op 355: Tchaikovsky's Meditation (Souvenir d'un lieu cher, Op 42); and Prokofiav's Sonata No 2 ir Prokofiev's Sonata No 2 in D. Op 94s (r)
D. Op 94s (r)
Aci, Galatea e Polifemo:
Recording by London
Baroque under Mediam of
Handel's Italian Serenata.

With Emma Kirkby, Carolyn Watkinson, and David Thomas
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: with
Edward Seckarson
6.30 Bandstand: Brighouse and
Rastrick Band under Derek

Broadbent perform Jean Ballisat's Sinfonietta No 2 and Claudio Cavadini's Tone Figures 7.05 Third Ear: Michael Hall talks to the conductor Christoph yon Dohnanyi
7.36 Los Angeles Philharmonic
Orchestra: Haydn's The
Representation of Chaos (The Creation); Pater Maxwell Davies's Black Pentecost, and Mozart'a Symphony No 41 in C (K511, Jupiter). With Jan de Gaetani, mezzo-soprano, and Michael Rippon, baritone, Conductor is Simon Rattie. 8.25 Interval

9.05 What Was Wrong with Gauguin: Patrick Heron argues that Paul Gauguin was both a bad painter and a creat one

9.25 Violin and Ptano: Dennis Stmons and Ketth Swallow perform William Hulstone's Sonata in D minor and Thomas Pitfield's Sonata No

10.00 Music in Our Time: New Music Group of Scotland under Edward Harper perform Geoffrey King's Sonata, Op 29, for two planos; Peter Nelson's Quartet for flute, clarinet viola and herp; and James MacMillan's Plano Sonata; Songs of a Just War, for soprano and ensemble

11.00 Composers of the Week:
Alkan. Recordings of Les
Diabolotins, Op 63 No 45;
Le Tambour bet aux

champs, Op 50 No 2; and Concerto, Op 39 Nos 8-10 12.00 News 12.05 Closedown

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let, it was Markova who faced

the camera alone in a postage stamp-sized studio (there was

no room for a partner), whit-

mouth, purpled her eyes and

programme

9.45 The Legacy of the Dream: In his third interview with the children of Martin Luther King, who was assessinated 20 years ago, Gordon Clough meets Bernice King (s) (5) 10.00 News; The Natural History

Programme: Peter Harrison reports on his recent trip to Diego Ramirez Island which is a bird-watchers' paradise 10.45 An Act of Worship (s) 11.00 News; Travel; Citizens (s)
11.25 Conversation Piece: Sue
MacGregor in conversation
with Dame Alicia Markova, a pioneering figure in British ballet (see Choice)

11.50 Smith and Son: Phil Smith presents the second of six revelations about being a father for the first time: Nesting instincts
12.00 News; You and Yours with John Howard 12.25 Flying the Flag: Comedy by Alex Shearer starring Dinsdale Landen as the British ambassador in a far-

flung people's republic (5 of 8) (5) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World At One 1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Woman's Hour:

includes features on infertility and stress, and whether people really enjoy going abroad on holiday; plus part three of the serial Dangerous in Love 3.00 News; Dead Letter Days: Play by Andy Baker with Geoffrey Matthews, Stephen Tompkinson, Pauline Letts, and Jonathan

Tatler (s)
4.00 News 4.05 Bookshelf: with Nigel Forde 4.35 Kaleidoscope (r) 5.00 PM

went into her dance. The problem with Markova, of course, is that her life has been peopled with so many of the Conversation Piece's 25 minutes just cannot hope to do it

Financial Report

6.30 Prompt! Sheila Hancock
leads the theatre quiz with
guests Dinsdale Landen.

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Lynda Baron, Joss Ackland
and Liz Smith (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers? An
opportunity to raise some of
the subjects tackled in last
week's Any Questions?
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7.30 From Raj to Rajiv: Forty
Years of Independence. The
BBC's Delhi Correspondent
Mark Tutly charts India'e
progress since the British
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Consent: how Jawaha Nehur tried to lay the foundations for e democratic state amid the shambles of partition (r) 8.15 Lock Down: David Wheele Lock Down: David Wheeler visits the top-security prison at Marion, Illinois to talk to inmates, their lawyers, the prison pyschologist and governor, and asks what British prison authorities can learn from their uporthory methods.

9.00 Does He Take Sugar? A magazine of special interest to the disabled 9.30 Times Present: Ian

Skidmore in conversation with taxidermist Sandy Jarosz (1) 9.45 Kaleidoscope: Includes reviews of the film The Believers, an interview with Nell Dunn and Ian Watt-Smith about The Little Heroine opening at the Nuffield Theatre, and a report by Ken Garner on preparations for Mahabharata, a nine-hour

history of the world 10.15 A Book At Bedtime: Leaving Home, written and read by Garrison Keillor (9 of 10) 10-29 Weather

10.30 The World Tonight:
presented by David Selis
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 The Medium and the Message: Trevor Barnes talks to Doris Colline about

tarks to boris come about the art of clairvoyancy (r) 12.00 News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping VHF as above except: 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner (s) 5.50-5.55 PM (continued) 11.30-12.40em Open University 44.30-12.10em Open University: 11.30 Melodrama 11.50 Ballads,

Folksong and the Romantics.

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advisers say reforms will hit the needy

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporte

The Government yesterday suffered further embarrass-ment over its reform of the social security system when its owo advisory body published a report highlighting the io-creased hardship the changes will mean for many of the young, the low-paid and the

The report, by the independent Social Security Advisory Committee, comes four days after the Bishop of Durham created a furore by saying that the benefit changes would make the rich richer and the poor poorer He accused the Government of being

It provided further ammnnition for the Opposition, who have been waging a campaign at Westminster against the new arrangements which come into force on Monday.

Mrs Margaret Beckett, Labour's social services spokesman, welcomed the report and said it reinforced what she and her colleagues had been saying for months about the severe effect the changes would have, for instance, on the young and on families io low-paid work.

Introducing the report, Mr Peter Barclay, the committee chairman, said that the Govemment's aims of simplification, improved targetting of benefits, and improved incentives to work were to be

But be said the purpose of the report was to focus on the impact of the changes on small minorities and those that do not fit easily into the prescribed pattern" because almost any improvement in one area is bound to bring disadvantages io another".

The report acknowledges that calculating io-work benefits on the basis of oet earnings would end the unjust system whereby an increase in earnings could result in reduced

However it says some low income families would still face marginal tax and benefit Office).

Sixth Report of the Social Security Advisory Committee, 1988. (Her Majesty's Stationery Office).

A five-poiot plan put forward by Mr Birt, who is also

the BBC's editor-in-chief,

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bodies like the Press Council,

IBA, Cable Authority and the

proposed Broadcasting Stan-

dards Council, which would

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withdrawal rates of more than

90 pence in the pound. Although substantial extra resources were to be made available through family credit rather than family in-come supplement, the im-provements would often be less marked, and in some

Although the committee has alt with the new Social Fund in a separate report, it says the basic benefit rates have not been increased sufficiently to allow for the fact that claimants needing major items of furniture are now to be offered help through a repayable loan rather than a

It expresses concern at the narrowing in the scope of

The report suggests that the withdrawal of income support from most 16 and 17-yearolds would encourage them to take up training or a job, but that there was no corresponding improvement in the incentives for young people from low income families who wanted to stay oo at school.

It "regrets' that lower rates of personal allowances would make it very difficult for 18 to 24-year-olds to live indepen-deatly and virtually impos-sible for those 16 and 17-yearolds who need to do so. This would cause hardsbip for those leaving home to fiod

The report says that low income families would suffer by not receiving help with

It suggests that benefit sanctions such as the four-mooth restriction on the payment of mortgage interest and tighter controls oo voluntary unemployment could in some cases have the opposite effect to that intended.

The Department of Health declined to comment.

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Government | High-flier manages hijack crisis



Mrs Lyuda Chalker with Mr Ivor Roberts, head of security co-operation, in the Foreign Office nerve centre (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

By Andrew McEwen

The Foreign Office was last night managing the crisis involving the hijack of the Kuwaiti airliner from an underground nerve centre close to the Cabinet war rooms from which Win-ston Churchill plotted the course of the Second World War.

The operation rooms, as the Foreign Office calls the centre, brings together more than 20 staff co-ordinating different departments. In one room rows of officials sit in blue swivel chairs taking calls from embassies overseas, anxious relatives and airline linkmen.

Each telephone console has a code allowing the staff to reach any of Britain's embassies by dialing a

When the order was given, at 6pm on Tuesday, to open the rooms, it was the first time they had been used since being completed last year. The previous operations rooms were last used during the crisis in Britain's relations with Iran in May 1987, and before that they played a vital role in the

The rooms will be manned round the clock throughout the crisis with staff taking turns to sleep and make meals. Ten officials stayed overnight in dormitories linked to the rooms. Mr Ivor Roberts, head of the

Foreign Office security co-operation department, runs the centre from a small office with the title "Crisis Manager" on the door.

Foreign Secretary, but will be used by Mrs Lynda Chalker, Sir Geoffrey Howe's deputy, in his absence. "One of the things one has to be skilled in doing is dealing with the latest information as it comes in and relating it to the myriad pieces of earlier information", she said.

It has fallen to Mrs Chalker, aged 45, to steer the Foreign Office through its most serious crisis in 11 months because of the absence of Sir Geoffrey, who is in Malaysia. She found herself facing a highly vulner-able position with 12 British lives at stake and no British diplomats in

The most important part of her role has been to show that the Government

to negotiate. In tones which brooked no doubt yesterday, Mrs Chalker declared: "There will be no deals. That is the policy and by that we

Mrs Chalker, MP for Wallasey since 1974, tried to combine charity with firmness while also showing that she understood the relatives' anguish. The feeling at the Foreign Office yesterday was that she had made a

The clear voice, the simple messe delivered slowly and forcefully, could have come straight from the Prime Minister herself. However, it is one of the few ways in which she is compared with the Prime Minister, and she does not mind admitting that she learned much from Mrs Thatcher.

work", he said. Mr Graham Terrell, a member of the union's executive. aid a recent EEC report showed that primary and secondary school teachers in England and Wales were tenth in the European pay league.

Teachers in Denmark, Germany and Luxembourg were being paid at least twice as much as their counterparts in Britain, he said.

Pay row

teachers

may halt

classes

Members of the National-Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers yesterday threatened to disrupt classes in a firsh dispute over pay.

Delegates at its annual con-ference in Blackpool voted heavily in favour of a cam-

paign — including, possibly, iodustrial action — to improve

A move to launch a national

levy of members to finance sustained industrial action

Mr Martyn Wilson, from north Hampshire, said: "The threat of industrial action

sends a message to these within education to remind

them we are still here and just

Mr Mick Mumford, another

oorth Hampshire teacher, said the public had failed to see the problems in state education. There are times when noth-

ing other than strikes seems to

as determined as before".

their salaries.

was rejected.

Mr Gerry Lee, the union's treasurer, called Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for

Call for unity

Educatioo and Science, a "bypocritical bully boy" and accused him of using education "as a vehicle to 10 Downing Street".

He added: "While the generals of other teachers' organisations have folded their tents and gooe away demoralized the message has to go out from this conference that we will not go away":

The teachers rejected a call to boycott marking the new GCSE examination

Delegates voted instead to continue the campaign to secure fees for marking the course work. There could still be disruption this summer: because of new guidelines already drawn up by the unioo's executive as part of its hid to win extra payments...

The guidelines, which will be sent to the union's 121,000 members oext week, will affect the final stages of marking the GCSE and could delay results for up to two mooths. Mr Fred Smithies, general secretary, said: "We are anx-ious to avoid committing our

members to disruptive action which targets pupils coming to the culmination of exam courses" British pupils learning mathematics must oot be allowed to lag behind young-

yesterday. In a speech to teachers and lecturers, he said the level of mathematical competence of the oatioo would be an increasingly important factor

Kuwait's policy holds key to hijack solution



WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

LERRUP a. An impatient b. A riding stool c. A clodhopper

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Answers on page 18, column 1

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to say that he had treated two Arabic-speaking women, one of whom, according to the Iranian news agency, was "not satisfactory". The women are presumed to be the two al-Sahah sisters.

BBC TV news this autumn. Mr Birt said: "The media, if they chose, could put their house in order. They should work towards a greater sense of iotegrity,



Two of the freed women, Nicola Appleby and Susan Silcock. Among the men held are, from left, Mark Appleby, James Yarrow and David Carew-Jones

Continued from page 1

were three members of the ruting al-Sabah family on board, and whether the Shia town of Mashhad was choseo

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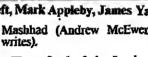
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It is oow believed that at least two of the hijackers are Kuwaitis, possibly with links to Shias io their own conotry

and in Irao.

WEATHER

 British fears: Concern was growing at the Foreign Office last night after persistent efforts to contact the released British women at their hotel failed, and there were no signs of their being allowed to leave



The refusal of the Iranian authorities to let two Swedish envoys travel from Tehran to Mashhad to see them added to the worry.

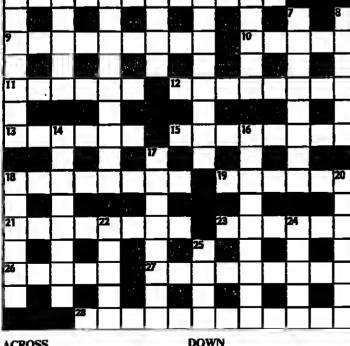
Diplomatic sources emphasized that all signs so far suggested that Iran was acting in good faith, and they praised the helpfulness of its Charge d'Affaires in Londoo, Mr Akhoond Zadeh Basti. But he was called to the Foreign

David Miers, a senior official.

The Swedish Embassy in Tehran, which has repre-sented UK interests sioce the last British diplomat was with-drawn last July, applied to send Mr Gunnar Somerin, the third-ranking Swedish dip-lomat and head of the British

interests section, to Mashhad with a locally-engaged Persian speaker, a Mr Hasbemi. But the two men were held back by in improving the country's ao Iranian ban

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,637



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ege (9). 10 Give up in pro game (5). 11 City's side at sea in scoreless draw (6).

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19 Do some stock-taking with odd result (6).
21 Perfectly fit model of pacifism to fallow (8).

23 Main force in Troy, for example

26 Girl waits for its performance (5). 27 Waste one on flight (9). 28 First illustration shows face of building (12).

Concise crossword, page 19

Spirits of a sort holding np party procedures (8).

2 Painting becomes firm after a short time (5). Give two pounds, nothing more,

Terrible ache in a head (4). Scorers mentally switching parts Sounds like coarse fish (5).

Player given an awful roasting 8 Inexperienced soldier that is attached to castle (6).

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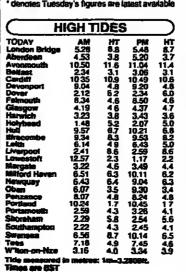
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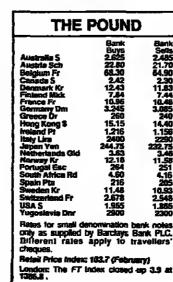
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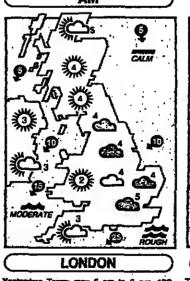
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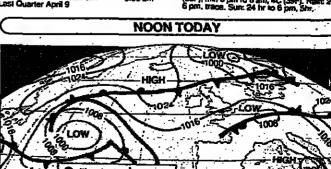


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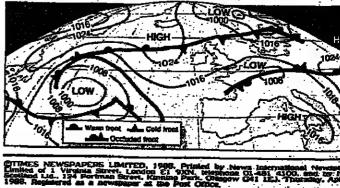
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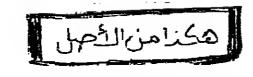
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Executive Editor David Brewerton

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USM (Datastream) 144.72 (+0.41)

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Mr Mick Mumford at north Hampshire leading the public had failed by problems in state edge. There are times what ing other than strikes at the said. Profits up at London **Forfaiting**

London Forfaiting, the inter-national trade finance company which joined the USM in February, made profits before tax of £16.5 million in the year to December 31.

This was in line with the expectations stated in the company's prospectus issued in connection with its flotation, and represents an in-crease of more than 23 per cent on the previous year.

The shares rose lp yes-terday to 155p, which is 5p below the flotation offer price. Earnings per share were 17p and the company intends to

pay a dividend of not less than 6.5p a share for the current Sun Alliance

profits drop Sun Alliance Insurance Group made pretax profits in 1987 of £171.5 million against £180.4 million. British weather losses totalled a record £199 million against £39 million in 1986, with £128 million caused by the October hurricane. The total dividend was raised by 31.9 per cent to 31p.

Tempos, page 22 M6 profit dip

Pretax profits of M6 Cash and Carry, the USM quoted wholesaler, fell from £1 million to £754,000 during 1987. A final dividend of 2.74p was declared, making a total of 3.8p (3.55p). However, the current year has started well.

SUMMARY

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Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 2556.56 (+12.59)
Amsterdam: Gen 246.9 (+5.2)
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Woolworth	(+11
Sock Shop253p	(+11
Rugby Group 257/ ₂ p	(+11
A Wood 158p	i+13
Clayform	415
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* Denotes latest trading price

The challenge of investing a £152,000 windfall

By Maria Scott

Mrs Jennifer Chelley, winner of £152,000 in the Portfolio Accumulator competition, said yesterday she had not decided what to do with her windfall. She does not play the stock market and has no preferences about how she might invest her winnings.

There is no shortage of choice. Antique jewellery, fine English watercolours, prop-erty in the heart of London and shares in a leading high street bank were just some of the suggestions put forward by investment experts.

Mrs Chelley's priority is her two children, aged six and 11. The eldest is due to start at a private school in September, and covering the school fees was top of her list.

Jennifer Chelley has won the Portfolio Accumulator competition. The Times asked several City experts to suggest

how she might use her winnings

tant director in the private client section of National Westminster Bank's stockbroking offshoot, thinks that after spending some of her winnings on a good holiday, about £30,000 could be put into a lump sum annuity plan to pay school fees.

Mr Curtis says she ought to be able to provide for her children's education at top public schools from the ages of 13 to 18. That leaves roughly £120,000, about half of which, he believes, should go into a Mr Andrew Curtis, an assis- high interest deposit account.

markets could go lower," says Mr Curtis, "so I am adopting a cautious approach."

But £30.000 could be split equally between a selection of gilts and shares in "first class UK companies". He includes Midland Bank in his list of companies to invest in because of Midland's "strong recovery prospects".

Mr William Ansell, an assistant director at Kleinwort Grieveson Investment Management, is also recom-

'The pound is quite tikely

But officials indicated that

prolonged, large-scale inter-vention will not be used to

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The pound closed more

more than half a plennig down at DM3.1310, and slipped marginally to \$1.8780. The sterling index edged down by 0.1 points to 78.2.

The reserves stood at \$47.52

billion (£25.22 billion) at the

end of last month, compared

with \$42.93 billion (£24.21

Of the increase, \$2.88 bil-

lion was due to the annual

revaluation of gold and the

other components of the re-

serves. Without the revalua-

tion, the reserves would have stood at \$44.64 billion.

Britain's reserves are suf-

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Andrew Curtis: cautious approach to share buying

mending investment in a plan to pay school fees. About £20,000 could go into the building society straight away
"as rainy-day money" and to
pay the first year's school fees and further money could be



William Ansell: £20,000 for a rainy-day account

used to cover fees via a specially constructed insurance plan. For instance, a £10,000 lump sum investment starting in 1989 through a recognized school fees insurance scheme would secure £1,000 of fees a



Fred Carr: providing for school fees a priority

term for the next 12 terms.

Then, he would suggest 20 per cent go into gilts, 30 per cent into British equity-based unil trusts and 15 per cent into overseas unit trusts. The

awaiting investment.

A personal equity plan would sit well with the unit trust investments. Mr Ansell believes the tax advantages of PEPs make them attractive enough to be "essential" for

the long-term investor. The unit trusts should be high yielders. In volaule markets these are attractive because of their dividends.

Mr Fred Carr, deputy head of the investment management division of Capel Cure Myers, agrees that provision for school fees will be a

He will not commit bimself on how to invest the surplus either, pointing out that some people feet much happier putting their money into painungs or Chinese ceramics than stocks and shares.

Bank acts on sterling as reserves soar

The Bank of England intervened successfully yesterday to hold down sterling, as figures showing a \$2.2 billion (£1.2 billion) rise in the official reserves last month were released.

The strong increase in the reserves underlined the extent of the upward pressure on sterling last month, before the decision was taken on March 4 to "uncap" sterling by removing the unofficial DM3

The figures suggest that had the Chancellor not been per-suaded by the Bank and the Prime Minister to allow sterling to rise, the increase in the reserves last month would have comfortably exceeded the record \$6.7 billion rise of

October last year. Mr John Banham, the director general of the Confederation of British Industry, says today that companies may cancel investment plans if the pound's strength continues.

In an article in The Times, West Germany and Japan shows that a strong currency can be associated with a strong economy. But we cannot put the cart before the borse. The recovery of British industry is not yet secure."

"To invest, companies need both the incentive and the resources to do so," Mr Banham adds. "This will not be forthcoming unless the stability of the pound against our major competitors is maintained." long as there are worries about credit growth and inflation in

The Bank's action to bold down sterting came as the pound was pushing at the to push up further," Mr Richard Jeffrey, director of DM3.14 level, amid market hopes that its strength could economic research at Hoare force a cut in base rates. Govett, the broker, said.

Dealers said that the Bank's selling of sterling, while not substantial, was highly visible

The Bank of England appears to have increased the propor-tion of the reserves held in currencies other than the dollar. The March revaluation showed a \$2.2 billion rise in the value of non-dollar currencies. This varies with dollar performance. A year ago, after bigger dollar fall, the revaluation was \$2 billion.

and had succeeded in temporarily taking the steam out of the pound. They clipped the pound's

wings by intervening this moroing," one senior London foreign exchange dealer said. But the pound is still strong." Dealers said that the Bank's action may have been to discourage further moves into sterling by foreign exchange

aimed at preventing the pound from gathering momentum for a push towards DM3.20. The Bank's action also appeared to be aimed at showing that modest currency intervention will be used in pref-

erence to base rate cuts, as

months' imports. There was no borrowing under the exoperators, and appeared to be

change cover scheme last month, because of a change in the scheme announced in December. This removed the 1/2 per cent interest rate advantage of borrowing under the scheme and prevented borrowings of less than \$25 million under the scheme.

How business suffers, page 24

Work clothes supplier dresses for success



Models of growth: John Prior said all areas had contributed to profit growth (Photograph; James Morgan)

Alexandra leaps 32%

to £5.1m

Bristol supplier of working clothes, reported a 32 per cent profits increase for the year to end-January to £5.1 million. This reflected a rise in profitability as the growth in sales to £40.7 million was a more modest 23 per cent.

Mr John Prior, now chief executive but to become chairman at the end of the financia year, reported that Alexandra's return on capital in-creased from 45 per cent to 48 per cent during the year and gearing fell from 28 per cent to 21 per cent.

A final dividend of 2.1p was declared making an annual total of 3.2p. Earnings per share rose 27 per cent to 10p. The shares remained un-changed yesterday at 157p.

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Kleinwort slips to £64.3m

By Richard Thomson Banking Correspondent

A continuing poor perfor-mance in securities markets dragged down pretax profits at Kleinwort Benson Lonsdale, the merchant banking and securities group, by £14.5 million last year. The group yesterday announced profits of £64.3 mil-

lion, compared with £78.8 million, as securities operations turned in a loss for the year following severe settlement and management problems. Kleinwort would not dis-

close the extent of the shortfall, although it includes a £7.5 million securities trading loss in the first half. The only profitable period of the year was the last three months despite the market crash.

Mr Jonathan Agnew, bead of securities operations, said that the group had not made

substantial losses in the crash and Briush equities had traded profitably during this period. This was partly because Kleinwort did not make markets in second-line stocks which had fallen most

Mr Agnew added that Kleinwort's market share of the British equity business had risen. The group also mainedged market at about 5 per He added that the securities

settlement problems experienced by Kleinwort soon after Big Bang had now been resolved at a cost of less than the £10 million put aside for

Investment management operations, which had suf-fered from settlement prob-

lems earlier in the year, were hit by the crash, with funds under management falling by £2 billion to £8 billion and a consequent drop in fee in-Other areas of the group

however, continued to produce strong profits, including corporate finance which ended the year with record profits despite a slow start. Business had been strong shortly before the crash but had tailed off since then. Banking profits had also been

Mr David Peake, chairman of Kleinwort Benson, said that despite lower profits the group's strategy of integrating

its operations was beginning to work successfully. An unchanged dividend of 14p was announced.

Koppers hedges over Beazer bid

Koppers, the US aggregates company that is the target of a takeover bid by Beazer, has admitted that its financial advisers, First Boston and Ditlon Reed and Co, are unable to declare the bid inadequate from a financial point of view.

Koppers has also admitted that its board is unable to take a position on the \$60 (£32) a share tender offer that Beazer, the British building materials group, is making through its subsidiary, BNS.

The US company said that at a meeting on Tuesday between Mr Charles Pullin, its chairman, and Mr Brian Beazer, the BNS chairman, neither man was prepared to greater value.

By Rodney Hobson discuss much of mutual

The information is contained in filings made by Koppers with the US Securities and Exchange Commis-

currently in talks on a sale and did not identify any parties The bid by BNS, which was formed by Beazer, Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc - with 46.1 per cent - and National Westminster Bank - with 4.9 per cent - values Koppers at \$1.7 billion

However, Koppers is not

Koppers has been opposing the BNS takeover bid. It said the board considered that alternatives could provide

London move for Standard & Poor

By Our Banking Correspondent

agency, is moving its international operations to London.

uons, is moving to London from New York as part of a move to increase European and other international rating

He said that London, as the heart of the international market place, was the logical place from which to expand S&P's business outside the US.

S&P rates 360 banks, industriat and public sector com-panies outside the US. It

Standard & Poor's Corporato increase from 47 to 80 by uon, the US credit raung the end of the year. The company said that

there was an increasing de-mand for rating services in Mr Edward Emmer, manag-ing director in charge of international rating opera-national. This meant that investors in one country needed greater guidance when considering an investment in another with which they were

not familiar.

Although credit rating has been common in the US for years, it has only recently grown in popularity in smaller European markets.

S&P opened a sentative office in London in 1984, and in Tokyo in 1986. S&P is also opening a rating

expects its international staff agency in Sweden.

Anonymous attack on £18m sale of consultancy

'Smear' against Henley Centre

By Lawrence Lever

The Henley Centre, the London-based economic consultancy, yesterday claimed that a "smear campaign" was being waged against it, after the announcement last week that it was being purchased by WPP, the advertising group, for a maximum of £18 million.

An anonymous document attacking the sale has been circulated to the national press. It implies that the Henley Centre, a registered charity until last year, was purchased at a knockdown price by its employees before being sold on at a much higher price to WPP approximately one year later.

Mr David Passey, the Henley Centre finance director, said yesterday: "There is a smear campaign. It is a very unfortunate thing. "A person or persons are disgruntled. I can't be sure who it is, but somebody has spent a lot of time doing this".

Last April employees of the Henley Centre purchased its assets and the name of the Henley Centre for about £500,000.

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The charity was represented in the negotiations for the sale by its council of management, the broad equivalent of a board of directors.

A company called Tudor Street Consultants was used to make the purchase. One of Tudor Street's founding directors was Mr Robert Tyrrell wbo was also on the council of management. According to Mr Passey he was the only full-time and paid director on the

Two other members of the council of management, including Professor Thomas Kempner, the chairman, became non-executive directors and shareholders of Tudor Street after the purchase of the Henley Centre.

Tudor Street changed its name to the Henley Centre and last week WPP announced it was buying the company for an initial £3 million - £2 million cash and £1 million in WPP shares. Further payments are contingent on Henley achieving certain profit targets. The document critical of the sale

claims: "The private acquisition of the assets of a national charity (for the private gain of some individuals who were in a position of trust towards the charity) is absolutely unprecedented."

Mr Passey points out that the sale of the charity was carefully vetted and authorized by the Charity Commissioners, who even went so far as to insist on the district valuer checking on the price Tudor Street was paying for Henley's lease.

Moreover, he said the negotiations were conducted. "very much at arm's length" and the members of the council of management who were also interested in the management buyout played no part on behalf of the charity. "They were fenced off from represent-

ing the charity," he said. "The council was a very independent sort of body." He said a very full and fair price was paid for the company, particularly in view of the fact that its principal assets

were the employees who were buying it.



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Sun Alliance dispels clouds

Sun Alliance's higher than improved market conditions expected October storm losses and higher profits in all propof £128 million failed to dampen the shares which bounced 19p higher to 913p. The market has started to lick its lips over the potential profits boost this year, assuming hurricanes do oot strike iwice and io view of the abnormally mild winter weather in the first quarter.

Suo Alliaoce, in line with the other insurers, will be putting up household rates, probably by about 11 per cent. An iocrease was on the cards hefore the hurricane.

SA has no plans, however, to resume huying catastrophe reinsurance cover. Although it is out of pocket since it ceased buying reinsurance two years ago, with reinsurance rates rising it could be back in pocket in another couple of

Weather aside, the under-lying trend in Britain was upwards with premium growth in the home division of 15 per cent. The underwriting loss on the motor account was reduced, particularly at the specialist Bradford-Pennine subsidiary. SA, unlike GRE, is oot making promises to hold rates.

The US produced a strong turnround from an underwriting loss of £7.1 million to a profit of £14.3 million, oo premiums 18 per cent lower in sterling terms hut 4 per cent higher in dollar terms. The overall exchange rate effect on the group was to reduce pretax

The New Jersey-based Chuhh Corporation writes most of SA's Americao husiness and has clearly been.

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The stock market crash wiped out the gains of the first nine mooths of 1987, but no more than that. The solvency margin at the year end was 85 per cent against exactly \$5 per cent at the end of 1986.

SA had prudently decided that equities were overpriced and had been channelling its cash flow into gilts and fixedinterest investments from the beginning of the year. It had no qualms about increasing its dividend by a handsome 31.9 per cent to 31p, which is still twice covered.

The yield at 4.6 per cent is somewhat less than other composites, but a further dividend increase of around 26 per cent is on the cards this ar, taking the prospective yield to 5.7 per cent.

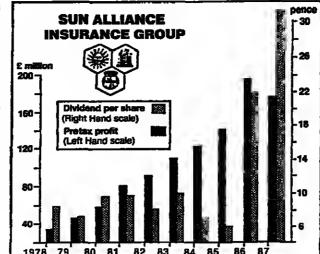
Wood Mackenzie, the stockbroker, is forecasting doubled profits of £350 million this year, giving a modest prospective p/e ratio of eight. SA's lower than average exposure to the US gives it good defensive qualities at a time of dollar weakness and uncertain merican markets.

Alexandra

Workwear

Mistaking a fellow customer for a member of staff is embarrassing but this should Workwear cootioues to make inroads into the corporate uniform market.

The service industries are chasing quality rather than joining retailers in turning out market share by providing quantity of husiness. Contrary staff in coordinated outfits customers with an efficient to most insurers, SA reports while workwear for less and comprehensive service



prominant industries are oow jazzier and more flexible.

Alexandra Workwear owe its origins to the traditional workwear market, hut is fast appreciating the opportunities in what is coyly called career wear. This niche represents about ten per cent of group sales but is a fast-growing area.

It is, apparently, hard to define the market although Alexandra is happy to claim a 25 per cent share of the traditional cake. This is based on the assumption that everyday 5 million people put oo Alexandra Workwear outfits and that the market consists of 20 millioo garments. But Alexaodra does not supply forces' uniforms, which are included in this figure.

The market appears to be growing but greater opportu-oities come from the changing mix to higher value items. Moreover, the group is gaining

from a wide range of 11,000 stock items.

Two million catalogues are sent out each year to a million translates into 140,000 regular

account customers. The group should make over f6 million this year, giving earnings per share of approaching 12p. The management and strategy of the group is good, but the current rating — 13.2 times prospective earnings — is demanding, making the shares on more than a hold.

Blackwood

Hodge

Blackwood Hodge, distributor of heavy machinery, was oo the very brink of bankruptcy: just five years ago. Galvanised by a £20 million loss in 1983 which very nearly brought the company to its knees, the management was restrucened up, peripheral businesses sold off, and a new strategy developed, a key plank of which was to break into the US market.

Historically, Blackwood Hodge's activities have been concentrated in the countries of the old British Empire, supplying developing countries with the heavy equipment for building dams, roads, and mines. But rising oil prices in the late 1970s put paid to many a grandiose scheme, hence the need for

Consequently, the group has spent nearly £50 million on acquisitions, four of which are in the US, and it also has amhitions to expand into India and Latin America. But is still maiotains its lioks with its Africa, where it is currently engaged in the supply of £12 million worth of equipment to the Ivory Coast.

As the demand for heavy equipment has waned in fa-vour of smaller machinery, Blackwood Hodge has changed its product profile to suit. It has also taken to the Americao marketing method of "rental with an option to purchase" with success. The group should make

£15.5 million pretax this year, giving a prospective multiple of about 7.5. The low rating reflects the cyclicality of the construction business, rather than Blackwood Hodge's strengths, especially its new found flexibility. More seri-ously for Blackwood Hodge, it hampers its ability to make a much needed UK acquisition it has uorelieved advance corporation tax on its UK dividends - unless it can use its tax losses to reduce

STOCK MARKET

Even bulls are puzzled as Bond calls for another round of Allied

Hopes of a bid for Allied-Lyons, the food and drinks group, were revived yesterday after news that Mr Alan Bond, the Australian entrepreneur, is continuing to take more than a passing interest in the shares.

His company, Bond Corp-oration, which brews Castle-maio XXXX, has been busily topping up its holding in Allied to 51.17 million shares, or 7 per cent, worth an estimated £200 million.

At the previous last count, it held 6.3 per cent of the equity. Mr Bond clearly believes that Allied is a good investment with its diversity of interests. But his decision to plough so much money into the venture must be puzzling even the most ardent of bulls. There is no doubt that Allied is awake to the threat of a bid from Mr Bond and has been bolstering its defences.

This year, it bought the outstanding holding io Hiram Walker, the North American distiller. Despite the weakness of the dollar, the shares have made a strong recovery io recent weeks and are contiouing to edge towards their peak of 421p achieved before the crash. But the shares ended 1p lower at 380p yesterday.

Meanwhile, the scent of lower interest rates saw the rest of the equity market mark the first day of the new financial year with a strong rally. Strong performances overnight on both New York aod Tokyo bolstered sentiment.

Dealers reported a confident start to trading as the



eady trickle of sellers wishing to balance their books ahead of the financial yearend dried op. They were replaced with a few cheap

Savory Milln, the broker, has upgraded its profit estimate for Vibroplant, the plant hire manufacturer, following its US acquisition. It is now looking for pretax profits of £8.5 million for the year to March 1989. It has forecast a final figure of £6.4 million for the year just ended.

buyers. Market-makers took the initiative and marked prices higher. But turnover remaioed low key and prices boiled over at the close, worried by talk of big rights issue io the pipeline. By the close, fewer thao 400 millioo shares had been traded.

Even the FT-SE 100 index closed below its best levels of the day despite another firm start to trading oo Wall Street. It finished 7.4 poiots up at 1,745.0, having been 21.5 up at its best. The narrower FT index of 30 shares finished a net 3.9 points up at 1,386.8, having been 14.0 ahead at one

Government securities remaioed dull despite the prospect of an early cut in interest rates with losses stretching to

Kwik Save Discount, the food retailer, ended the day 2p firmer at 344p following renewed whispers that Dairy Farm Ioternational, the Hong Kong diary products group, had been topping up its hold-ing. Last year, it bought a near 25 per cent stake in Kwik Save after which board representation was obtained by both groups. Dairy Farm can contioue adding to its holding until it reaches 30 per cent when a full bid will automati-cally be triggered. But it has already given assurances that it will oot launch a full bid uotil April next year - unless another bidder appears oo the scene, or it obtains permission from the Kwik Save board. Mr Bill Postlethwaite, the

managing director of Kwik Save, said he had no knowledge of Dairy Farm increas-

Trusthouse Forte, the hotel

and leisure group, held on to an early 7p lead, at 240p; following a meeting with Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the securities house, at which it obviously made a favourable impression.

BZW is clearly impressed with the recent acquisition of Kennedy Brookes, the Mario & Franco and Wheelers Restaurant chain, and claims that THF's disciplined style of management will squeeze more out of the group. This could mean that there will be little dilution of earnings.

Meanwhile, THF continues to trade well on all fronts and should produce better-thanaverage earnings growth during the next few years. To back balance sheet and enjoys good asset backing, helped by its impressive portfolio of freehold and long lease properties.

BZW has decided to upgrade its profits forecast for 1989 by £10 million to £240 million and calculates that the shares have "good, long-term" potential." It is recommending them as a buy to clients. Rival Kleinwort Grieveson

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Better late than never for Cable and Wireless, up 9p at 340p, following a recom-mendation this week from County NatWest, the broker, which remains a big bull of the

County says that Cable and Wireless has been hit by the weakness of the dollar but hopefully its impact will become less as profits continue .30 flow through from Mercury.

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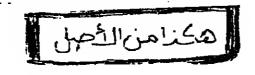
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Newman profits surprise with 63% jump to £9.1m

Newman Industries, the en-Newman industries, the en-gineered fastening and assem-bly systems group in which Suter holds a 28 per cent stake, beat expectations with pretax profits of £9.1 million in the year to end-December, a rise

Turnover fell by 14 per cent to £76.3 million after the disposal of non-core businesses. The Avdel core husiness increased sales by 10.4 per cent to £72.4 million and maintained margins despite the strength of sterling. Cur-rency factors reduced sales by

Earnings a share rose 105 per cent, aided by a fall in the tax rate to 34 per cent from 41 per cent. The total dividend

Persimmon

to raise

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cash call

By Alexandra Jackson

Persimmon, the fast-growing, York-based housebuilder, is

raising £17 million, net of expenses, in a one-for-five

rights issue at 140p. This was

accompanied by a forecast of a 1988 profits jump of at least

60 per cent to a minimum of

Brokers' forecasts had ex-

pected Persimmon to make

abont £18.5 million in 1988.

The market received the news

well and marked the shares up

Mr Duncan Davidson, the

chairman, said: "We are not looking at this as a de-gearing

exercise but as part of our future plans to develop the

"We have 12 operating

subsidiaries covering the

country and want to be able to

give them the backing to take

suitable opportunities as they present themselves. We have looked at acquisitions but

believe that we can use money

much more effectively to grow

Mr Davidson said that the

group had already secured 1,400 sales for the current year

and is expected to have sold

over 2,000 units by the year-

At the end of 1987, Persim-

mon had a land bank of 9,000

plots and a gearing ratio of 53

The group's profits have grown from £3.4 million in

1985 to £12.6 million last year.

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least 3p a share compared with

The directors are forecast-

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Marley: buying opportunity was raised by 15 per cent to

The climination of loss-makers saved £700,000 and pruning of head office costs saved a further £200,000.

Mr Nigel McLean, the increase our aerospace operachairman, said that after a long and difficult period of reconstruction the company could now provide adequate profits to ensure long-term development.

The divestment programme has been completed and Newman stands to recoup about £4 million from land disposals this year. The money will be used to bring down borrowings, with the goal of lowering gearing to 60 per cent in the medium term. Interest costs fell by 26 per cent last year to

Newman, which plans to change its name to Avdel, is John Marley, the chief exec-utive, said: "We would like to materialize.

tions in North America and we see the current weakness of the dollar as a buying opportunity."

Newman has budgeted for an exchange rate of \$2 to the pound this year and intends to step up American production and export semi-finished products to Britain.

Higher-than-expected Far Eastern sales in the second half helped boost the Far East's proportion of group turnover to nearly 20 per cent.
Japan accounted for 12 per cent of sales.

With a return on capital employed of more than 30 per cent, Newman reckons it is in good shape to resist a takeover bid from Soter were it to

Five-year plan calls on Japan to boost imports

A government advisory panel has revealed the outline of a five-year economic plan

which urges Japan to make more of a contribution to the global economy by increasing imports and economic assistance, and personal and cultural exchanges with the rest of the world.

The plan, drawn up by the Economic Policy Council, will be submitted to Mr Noboru Takeshita, the Prime Minister, in May ready for the summit of the Western industrialized countries, in Toronto, in June.

The plan, for 1988-92, will be the basis of the country's medium-term economic planning. It covers a transitional period for the transformation of the international trade regime from an era of trade imbalances, incipient protect-

From David Watts, Tokyo ionism and rising debts in developing countries into a more stable one. It calls for Japan to speed up the change from an export-

To achieve that goal Japan should allow greater access to its market for foreign goods and services by removing or lowering import tariffs on agricultural products among other things, said the plan. Japan should also further simplify certification and stand-

oriented economy to one

more dependent on domestic

ufactured imports. Recommending further measures to ease tensions, particularly with Britain, over foreign liquor imports, the plan suggested that regulatory measures applied to large (£2.02 billion).

ardization procedures for im-

ports while increasing man-

scale retailers and liquor dealers be eased to achieve fairer tion that would create further demand for cheaper imports.

Emphasizing the need for more economic assistance to developing countries the plan criticizes the small percentage of GNP taken up by Overseas Development Aid.

Although Japan stood second only to the United States on the gross amount of ODA offered in 1986, the percentage stood at only 0.29 per cent to place Japan 15th on the world scale of the Development Assistance Committee. The plan urges the Takeshita cabinet to set a specific goal for ODA. The Nakasone government proposed that Japan

Abbey's £10.5m for Aids

Abbey Life, Britain's second largest unit-linked life company, has increased its final dividend by 17 per cent to 10,25p after announcing a 24 per cent increase in its surplus

in 1987 to £48 million. The company is setting aside £10.5 million to meet Aids-related claims as an exceptional item, Mr David Baggaley, Abbey Life's finance director, said this sum was to cover policies written before 1982. Those written after 1982 have provisions for increasing the charges to take account of death rates outpacing predic-

Abbey Life increased its sales force last year by 500 and now has 3,200 associates selling its products. Many independent advisers decided to

become tied agents when faced with the massive complications and restrictions of the Financial Services Act. Last year the selling empha-

sis was on Living Assurance, a life policy which pays out if the policy holder gets cancer or a life-threatening heart condition. This policy was pioneered by Abbey Life and accounted for 10 per cent of its business last year. Pensions

Abbey Life began to write its own mortgage business 18 months ago using wholesale finance. This now accounts for

New single premiums, in-

business and the sales force is expected to make a big effort to sell personal pensions later

16 per cent of its business.

cluding unit trusts, rose in 1987 by 26 per cent to £262.5 million and new regular premiums rose by 17 per cent to £93.1 million. Abbey Life's after-tax results were boosted by a pensions holiday which improved performance by

Switch for price index put off By David Smith

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The Department of Employment has increased the weighting of housing, alcohol and leisure goods in the calculation of the retail price index, in line with new information about typical

spending patterns. But more substantial changes in the RPI - to include new car prices and financial services - have been postponed until next year at the earliest.

Food, at 16.3 per cent, has

the biggest weight in the RPI, down from 16.7 per cent. followed by housing with 16 per cent (15.7), motoring expenditure with 13.2 per cent (12.7) and alcoholie drink with 7.8 per cent (7.6). Leisure goods stand at 5 per cent (4.7) The new weights are con-tained in the April Employ-

ment Gazette, published yes-terday. The Gazette also records that, while the overall increase in retail prices during last year was the lowest since 1967, there were wide variations in price changes among different spending categories.

Compared with an increase in the RPI of 3.3 per cent between January 1987 and January 1988, there was a 22 per cent rise in motor insurance premiums, an 8.6 per cent fall in coffee prices and a 4.5 per cent drop in gas

charges. Food prices rose by 2.9 per cent, while the cost of housing expenditure fell by 1.7 per cent. Overall motoring costs rose by 5.1 per cent.

Tootal sells two offshoots in £3m deal

By Our City Staff

Tootal Group is selling two of its companies — Bradgate Textiles and Jenham Jersey Fabrics - for about £3 millioo.

The buyer is Melton Medes. privately-owned group with interests ranging from carpets and fabrics to engineering and paper-making. Melton has an annual turnover of more than £90 million.

Mr Geoffrey Maddrell, Tootal's chief executive, says the two companies being sold no longer form part of the mainstream strategic businesses of Tootal.

Their combined sales total led £6.7 million on net assets of £2.85 million in the year to January 31. Bradgate makes secondary

coverings for domestic and passenger car scats, and household textile products.

COMMENT

Disclosure challenge for merchant banks

confidence.

Ferchant banks will not be able per cent return on investment must still to get away with partial disclo- be a long way off. Yet Kleinwort's recent sure of accounts for too much longer. An EEC directive requires full disclosure at least by 1992, but British authorities are likely to insist on it by as early as 1990. That, however, does not help investors here and now. The problem is greater than ever with modern merchaot bankiog operationsembracing a wider complex of businesses than ever before.

Kleinwort Benson Lonsdale's results. therefore, elicited the usual resigned response from the stock market. Profits were down £14.5 million, but that was expected so the shares did oot suffer. Securities losses were the cause, but no one can say exactly what they were. Meanwhile, corporate finance profits were slightly up - but up compared to what? And how important are banking profits in the whole picture?

It is at least obvious that Kleinwort has suffered heavily in its securities operation - probably more heavily than Morgan Grenfell or SG Warburg. Retrenchment earlier in the year probably saved it during the crash because its exposure to vulnerable stock was small.

It is too early to say if the better fourth-quarter performance presages an underlying improvement in securities

operations although the target of a 30 disclosure.

Kenneth Morton, who used to run the group finances of Reed International, will take over the new post of finance director for the whole Kleinwort group. Perhaps he will see the need for greater

heavy recruitment of British equity

analysts suggests a new-found self-

In other areas, the group seems to

have done at least as well as its

competitors. While Morgan's results

suggested a certaio malaise across all

businesses, Kleinwort's corporate fi-

nance business is growing healthily.

High-profile deals like Electricity

privatization and Abbey National's

conversion to plc status can only do it

an unencouraging year was the manage-

ment shake-up. Kleinwort now does

genuinely appear to have a management

committed to using its different busi-

nesses in an effectively integrated

manner. The securities side is no longer

the unwanted ugly duckling of the

Indicative of the new approach, the merchant bank's finance officer, Robin

Rickwood, is stepping aside this month.

But the most encouraging feature of:

Under siege at M&G

cult and unprecedented decisions should be taken about our leading unit trust group, M&G.

To use a phrase much beloved of the City's equivalent of football hooligans, M&G is currently "in play." To such characters, who share with soccer's boot boys, a belief in self-gratification at whatever consequence, this is good news. It means that there is money to be made as one or more investor destabilizes the target company's share register, pushing out the long-term bolders and replacing them with arbitrageurs or short-term speculators. Even-tually, the pinnacle of acheivement in this essentially amoral pursuit is to be still there when the music stops and the

takeover bid arrives. On many occasions, this darker side of the face the City likes to present to the world is a small part of takeover activity undertaken genuinely with the aim of achieving beneficial industrial objectives. At other times, and who can forget the takeover boom that ended shortly after the Guinness deal, the transactions become an end io themselves - a method of making money for investment professionals and their customers with little or oo convincing industrial

f the Government means what it says endlessly about its belief in free have since 1979 rightly adopted a light grasp on the reins. Simple and simpleminded restrictions on the free workings of markets have a perverse way of producing damage rather than improvement. Occasionally, however, a situa-tion arises when the arguments for official intervention outweigh the objections. The M&G situation is one.

For some time now, the Australian entrepreneur, Mr Alan Bond, has been noisily building up a holding in M&G now said to be about 10 per cent. It looks like a stalking operation designed to produce a white knight bid or dealing profits for Mr Bond. The problem is that M&G is no ordinary

It is the repository of some £4.5 billion of small savers' cash, invested on behalf of perhaps 750,000 individuals. M&G's portfolio bulges with key shareholdings in perhaps 200 leading British companies. Its portfolio reads like some dream mail-order catalogue designed for corporate raiders. In the wrong hands this storehouse of trust and treasure could be used to inflict a great deal of harm on corporate Britain. And control of this £4.5 billion of shares is available, accordiog to curent stock market values, for about £200 million. It it surely time The authorities in Whitehall and the that Lord Young asked the Office of City which are charged with respon- Fair Trading to take a look.

WPP wins injunction against former staff

in a New York court against two former employees of Lord Geller Federico Einstein, its US advertising agency, who left to form a new business.

WPP acquired the US agency as part of the takeover of J Walter Thompson.

Mr Richard Lord and Mr Arthur Einstein have been

WPP, the marketing services rectly, any clients of LGFE group headed by Mr Martin that were held as accounts for the 12 months preceding their resignation. They are also two former employees of Lord LGFE staff to leave and work for Lord Einstein, their new

> But WPP failed in its at-tempt to prevent four other former LGFE employees who have joined the new agency from soliciting former colleagues or clients.

Ruberoid placing to fund Norwich stake

There will be a clawback provision on the basis of one new share for every 6.5333 held to ordinary shareholders. whose approval is necessary because of the deal's relative

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Ruberoid, the diversified building products group, is making an £8.9 million acquisition to take its stake in Norwich Corrugated Board to profit of £9.12 million on a turnover of £137.8 million.

Ruberoid has a 50 per cent stake in Norwich and will buy all but 2,000 of the remaining

making an £8.9 million acquisition to take its stake in Norwich Corrugated Board to 97.5 per cent, funded via a vendor placing of 6.68 million shares at 134p each.

The final dividend is raised from 2.7p to 3.3p a share, making 4.2p (3.5p).

Kapitän

Readers of Handelsblatt, the West German financial daily, were not the only people sur-prised to learn that Robert Maxwell, the publisher, plan-ned to move into the West despite the product's acquired taste. Since Ray Kroc opened his first counter in Des Plaines, Illinois, in 1955, McDonald's has served 65 billion hamburgers. If laid end to end, says McDonald's helpfully, these would stretch from the count in the moon and back 16.

spends his time running Computacenter, the computer business be founded shortly after leaving university, which will make him seriously rich when he eventually takes it public, bought himself a £78,000 Ferrari a couple of months ago to go with his £2.5 million house in Kensington's Upper Phillimore Gardens. (figures correct at time of going to press). But instead of putting the Italian thoroughbred's top speed of 180 mph chine was more usually broken down, much to the amusement of his teasing guess what wisdom their boss has now abandoned the vemight be imparting to the waiting world. When in-formed of the article's conhicle on the forecourt of his local H&R Owen, returning to his Kensington pied-à-terre by bus. Attached to the windscreen of the abandoned car

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German market soon and had German market soon and nad arranged to hold exploratory talks with the Federal Cartel Office in West Berlin this week to start things moving. Maxwell — who is still licking his wounds after The Age, the Melbourne broadsheet, and Elsevier, the leading Dutch publisher, both cruelly and publicly rebuffed his advances - told the West German newspaper: "We are slowly making progress in West Germany and we will enter this market shortly, I will visit the Federal Cartel Office in Berlin this week to find out what is thought about us." But a spokesman for West Germany's anti-trust authorities said no date had been set for a visit by Maxwell, who is apparently keen to become involved in all Germany's media sectors from television to printing, newspapers and magazines. Maxwell is famous for the mysterious ways in which he moves. Although the interview was held in London, Maxwell spoke to the Handelsblatt reporter in German, one of the many languages in which he is fluent, thereby leaving his anxious aides to

tents, one aide gasped: "But he's not even going to West Germany this week!" Joe Joseph

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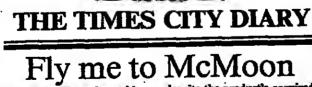
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Even Playboy must have been surprised at the response to its plans last month for a womenof-Wall-Street pictorial, offering anything from \$500 to \$2,500 for those women brokers willing to bare all. Almost 100 women have offered to reveal their assets in an early autumn edition of Playboy, says managing photo editor Jeff Cohen. Just how cramped some women feel in the dealing rooms is highlighted by Dumont "Dusty" Billings, a New York broker and exa New York broker and exmodel, aged 38, who sees the
Playboy spread as a way to
"show the guys that, see, I'm a
girl. A lot of it is a secret
fantasy I've had to show the
guys I can do it. I do talk
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bushand, clearly less keen on like showing myself off." Her husband, clearly less keen on the idea, has banned "Dusty" from going for the \$2,500 jackpot if she is chosen to perform. Fellow aspirant, Robin Mormelo, a mother of two, aged 25, clearly finds studying to be a broker a bit of a grind and reckons that posing for Playboy could launch her on to a modelling launch her on to a modelling



Spreading like a forest blaze, McDonald's yesterday opened its 10,000th restaurant, this time in Dale City, Virginia, capping a decade-long advance in which the hamburger chain has opened a new store some-where in the world every 17 hours. McDonald's took in \$5 billion last year from the 49 countries it has colonized,

Ogden's way Life can be tough at the top. Computer wizard Peter Ogden, a former managing direc-tor of US securities house Morgan Stanley — where he is still retained as a consultant has, I hear, been having problems with his latest exec-



hear they're being given away free?

constantly to the test, Ogden found the finely-tuned maneighbours. After many weeks of agony and frustration, Og-den has, I am told, finally decided to call it a day. And he

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

ERF to boost output as UK buys British ERF, the independent Cheshire heavy truck maker, delivered

n record 421 vehicles to British customers in March and aims to pash production up from 2,983 vehicles in 1987 to 4,400 trucks a year within 12 months. Mr Peter Foden, the chairman, said: "Production in 1988 will be the highest we have ever achieved as the previous highest was just over 3,000 in the boom year of 1979."

The company is confident of raising its share of the above 16-tonne sector this year to 12.5 per cent compared with 8.1 per cent in 1987. Production was six vehicles a day when ERF launched the E model range two years ago. In 12 months output rose from seven a day to 17. Mr Foden said ERF was winning over constances from foreign tracks. ning over customers from foreign trucks.

Eadie caution New chief for on profits

Eadie Holdings, the USMlisted wire manufacturer, has warned shareholders that profits in the year to end-December were expected to be lower than the £702,000 in 1986, due mainly to severe competition in the volume wire husiness. The sale of Eadie Brothers last year contributed to a substantial cash surplus at the year-end. Trading results in 1988 have been very encouraging, the company said. Results for 1987 will be announced in

motor society

Mr Simon Foster, the former president of Dunlop France, has been appointed director of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. He succeeds Mr Anthony Fraser who has left to join Dietz, Fraser and Partners, the executive search com pany. Mr Foster, aged 48, spent 25 years with Dunlop, holding management posit-ious in Malaysia, Indonesia and Zambia before taking over in France, and turning losses into profit over the past five years.

BET in £17.8m buy

BET, the industrial services group, is spending up to £17.8 million to hny Lorne Stewart Group, a privately-owned mechanical and electrical contractor. Lorne has branches in London, Stockport, Greater Manchester and Leeds, West Yorkshire, with a staff of more than 500.

It offers a range of specialist contracting services, including the installation and maintenance of heating, ventilation, air conditioning and electrical systems. BET, through its HAT Engineering subsidiary, operates in specialist contracting services and with Lorne will become one of the market leaders. An initial payment of £13.5 million cash will be topped up by a maximum of £4.3 million, depending on profits. The vendor will retain 6,000 BET shares.

Feltrim plans Erith £4.43m to raise £1 m

Feltrim Mining, the mining exploration company headed by Mr Conor Haughey, , hopes to raise up to £1 million in a share issue in London and Dublin next week. Mr Haughey, a son of Mr Charles Haughey, the prime minister of the Irish Republic, is managing director of the Dublin company, which plans to search for gold in Connemara, in the west of Ireland, as well as minerals in continental Europe, the US, Australia and Canada.

sets record

Erith, the Hertfordshire builders' merchant, has ridden the boom in the building materials market to raise its pretax profits from the pre-vious record of £2.94 million to £4.43 million. Earnings for 1987 are 34 per cent higher at 7.41p per share, and the final dividend has been raised by 0.5p to 2p, making a total of 3p against 2.15p for 1986. Turnover of the group, which has outlets in the Home Counties, increased by 20 per cent to £71.4 million.

TV-am stake for sale

Beaverbrook Investments is to selt 5 per cent of the share capital of TV-am - just over a third of its holding - by an auction, conducted by Henry Assbacher, the merchant bank.

The sale will bring the stake below 10 per cent, as demanded by the Independent Broadcasting Authority after it was revealed the Beaverbrook holding was controlled by Saudi Arabian interests. Ansbacher is inviting bids by 3pm on Monday, with a view to signing a provisional sale contract by April 13. TV-am shares dropped 1p to 129p, valuing the shares to be sold at £4.2 million.

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the management of the economy as to a company.

The relative stability of sterling against the mark until the beginning of March, moving in a narrow range -- DM2.95-DM3.00 - for al-

most a year, was accompanied by tow inflation; the highest rate of economic growth since 1973; rapid rises in manufacturing output, up by 5.5 per cent in 1987, and in manufacturing productivity, up by 7

In the past month, this policy of sterling stability has been called into question. There is a strong perceived risk of inflation. Interest rates, which are set "so as to maintain downward pressure on in-flation" were five percentage points higher than in West Germany and two percentage points more than in the United States.

The resulting strength of the pound is not helping British businesses to sell their products and services in intensely competitive world markets. Sterling has appreciated by 4.5 per cent in as many weeks. If this strength in the pound is sustained, manufacturers face either reduced sales because their competitors' prices are cheaper, or reduced profits if they attempt to hold their own

The first rule of management prices at a competitive level. is: "If it ain't broke, don't fix For an exporter operating on a it." This applies just as well to margin of 15 per cent, this margin of 15 per cent, this means a reduction in profits

by almost one-third. This is not to say we are complacent about inflation. The Confederation of British Industry has always shared the view of both the Prime Min-ister and the Chancellor that the defeat of inflation must be paramount in government economic policy.

And we have continued to emphasize to member companies that wage increases must be paid for by improved productivity and performance. But the fear of resurgent inflation must be set in context: the retail price index has been at 3.3 per cent for two months running - its lowest level for well over a year, the Chan-cellor himself, in his Budget speech, forecast that inflation was unlikely to exceed 4 per cent this year; pay settlements in manufacturing are averaging about 5.5 per cent whereas productivity has increased over the past year by nearly 7

True, earnings - after allowing for overtime and bonus payments - have increased by 8.5 per cent, but even this, when compared with the productivity, in-dicates only a small rise in factory gate prices.

per cent.

Although the latest CBI



John Banham of the CBI argues that exchange rate stability is vital for UK growth

Not complacent: John Banham is keen to beat inflation

Industrial Trends Survey shows that both orders and output are continuing at a very high level, fears that the economy might be overheat-ing are unlikely to be realized.

The continued severity of competition in home and ex-port markets is reflected in a weakening of expectations of price increases. Both output and stock levels are keeping up with demand as companies invest to ensure they have sufficient capacity to meet

Keeping the pound stable against a low-inflation currency such as the mark is, in an anti-inflationary

discipline. It makes clear that increases in domestic costs relative to our competitors will not be accommodated by exchange rate depreciation.

This policy also gave business what it needed - sterling stability at a reasonably competitive rate, particularly ag-ainst other European cur-rencies. The CBI's survey of the impact of monetary policy on business, published last year, showed that companies wanted stable exchange rates even at the expense of more frequent interest rate changes. This view also underlies the CBI's commitment to mem-

bership of the exchange rate

Monetary System.

The breaching of the DM3 level has created uncertainty about whether this policy would continue. The experience of West Germany and Japan shows that a strong currency can be associated with a strong economy. But we cannot put the cart before the horse. The recovery of British industry is not yet secure.

First, there is a considerable investment gap - in training, research and development and new plant and equipment - between Britain and her leading competitors. The scale of the extra investment needed to match West Germany, for example, is considerable — in the order of £10 a household week.

Indeed, unless British companies are able to close this gap our competitiveness will be impaired, which could bring about exactly the decline in sterling that the Chan-cellor's anti-inflationary strategy is designed to avoid.

But to invest, companies need both the incentive and the resources to do so. This will not be forthcoming unless the stability of the pound against our leading competitors is maintained.

Secondly, British compa-nies need to develop their export strategy to meet the

How the strong pound hits business mechanism of the European challenge of 1992 and the Monetary System. pean market. Penetrating new markets requires a significant investment of time and resources. Over the past few have haited - and started to reverse - the decline in their

years British manufacturers share of world trade. It will be a pity if the progress British industry has made over the past year to

Europe is set back by the uncertainty created over the last month. The answer to the maxim: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it,"

securing a long-term future in

is, of course, that if you do not fix it, it will indeed break! Interest rates are an eff-

ective and sensitive instrument in controlling the level of sterling against other cur-rencies, but they are a rel-atively blunt and ineffective instrument when it comes tocontrolling inflation.

The danger of the present approach to exchange rates and interest rates is that the new-found confidence of British industry could crack first and with it the chance of consolidating our excellent economic performance of the past

The author is director general of the Confederation of British Industry

Holmes à Court in TV selloff

From Christopher Morris Sydney

Mr Christopher Skase, a former financial journalist, yesterday purchased television stations in Adelaide and Perth in a deal worth Aus\$126 million (£49.4 million).

Mr Skase, owner of Austra-lia's Channel 7 network, made the purchase from the Bell Group of Mr Robert Holmes à Court who is still trying to rescue his aiting company after the October crash.

Bell's profit on the sale was Aus\$86 million and the company has retained the right to buy back up to 15 per cent of the stations later.

Mr Skase now replaces Mr Alan Bond on the rival Channel 9 network as the owner of Australia's biggest commercial television empire. But his purchase puts him at odds with government regulations barring anyone from holding more than a 60 per cent level of ownership.

Since the Queensland businessman aiready has Channel tetevision stations in all of Australia's mainland state cities and nine regional stations in Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria, his poten-tial audience is three-quarters of Australia's population of 16

million. But he is not concerned that his 73 per cent of the audience is 13 per cent above the government's ceiling.

A sympathetic Communications Minister, Senator Gareth Evans, explained that the Government was forced to impose a 60 per cent limit because of the Opposition majority in the Senate.



I boost for training

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

A drive to strengthen academic and industrial links is about to start. It is aimed at boosting the number of highflyers at or near Master of ness Administration standard.

The chosen vehicle is a £13million-a-year teaching company scheme run by the Science and Engineering Research Council (SERC) and the Department of Trade and Industry. It was launched in 1975 and since 1980 has expanded fourfold. It has about 300 programmes operating between companies and academic bodies such as

universities and polytechnics. About 240 companies and 70 academic bodies are in-

volved. The companies in- academic input would benefit clude the General Electric Company (GEC), Lucas, the electrical and automotive parts group, and Rover, the

Bonded Laminates up

Now the scheme has been drawn into the DTI's enter-prise initiative campaign with the aim of boosting it

"substantially." Professor Stephen Humble, has been appointed as director of the scheme. He said: "I would be disappointed if the scheme did not almost double in the next five years.

The scheme will give graduates looking at an industrial career "hands on" experience. Projects chosen will be relevant to a company. The Economic Development.

the company as graduates work through a programme, typically lasting three years.

The scheme should take graduates to standards similar to those for an MSc degree. Professor Humble believes

that as the scheme gains more influence it will have a greater impact on the way higher education bodies respond to the needs of industry.

He will be seeking sponsorship from other government departments. There have been two public sector recruits, the Economic and Social Research Council and the Northern Ircland Department of

ures include a small, first time

contribution from Woodtape,

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the year.

Employee share schemes given NAPF backing By Colin Narbrough

The National Association of stand that 10 per cent of a Pension Funds has given its backing to employee share schemes as a way of fostering long-term ownership of companies, despite the dilution they cause to the pension funds' equity boldings.

In its first reappraisal of the issue of share options for four years, the NAPF seeks to promote longer-term investment and wider share ownership — goals it feels need reinforcing in the wake of the global stock market crash last October.

But it opposes moves to wind up share schemes in response to the market turbu-lence and is "disappointed" at the use of tax-efficient share schemes to give short-term benefits - a development whose future is unsure after the Budget.

The NAPF, meanwhile, sees profit-related pay, bonuses and other incentives as more appropriate short-term benefits for employees than share to use the NAPF principles as

company's ordinary share capital should be the maximum available for share schemes over a 10-year period. In any one year, the upper limit remains 5 per cent.

Mr John Brydon, the new NAPF chairman, made clear at the organization's conference last month that the policy review would not produce guidelines, but "general principles" intended to foster best practice among members. The ultimate decisions had to rest with the individual funds.

The principles now issued call for a performance-related incentive, based on the price when the option was issued, to be included in company share

Committees of non-executive directors are proposed as the best way of monitoring schemes, and increased disclosure in company reports of scheme details is also sought.

Companies are encouraged schemes with quick exercise a yardstick against which other types of share schemes The association upholds its can be judged.

BP standing by to set North Sea lift record By David Young, Energy Correspondent

British Petroleum is preparing to set a record in the British

sector of the North Sea by making the heaviest-ever sin-gle lift in the British offshore industry.

Constructions teams are standing by 10 install the topside structure on the Cleeton natural gas field off the Humber, using two heavy-lift barges to position a mod-ule weighing 5,300 tonnes in

Group turnover for the year was £7.91 million compared with £5.3 million. A final The Cleeton field is part of the villages group of gas fields being developed by BP for connection to the British Gas dividend of 2p makes 3p for

national grid in the early 1990s. The other field in the area,

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However, the record could be short-lived. Topside equipment for the Conoco V field is due to be floated out this summer and this will certainly be heavier.

BP is to use the British Gas accommodation platform AV-t during the huilding of the Cleeton platform.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Aktiebolaget SKF will be held at SKF Kristinedal. Byfogdegatan 4. Göteborg, at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday April 28, 1988.

Agenda

Ordinary general meeting business will be transacted in accordance with Swedish law and the Articles of Association. **Notice of Attendance**

For the right to participate in the meeting, shareholders must be recorded in the shareholders' register kept by the Securities Register Centre (VPC AB) by Monday April 18 and must notify the Company before noon Monday April 25 of their intention to attend (Aktiebolaget SKF, S-415 50 Göteborg. Tel: +46-31-37 26 52), giving details of name, address, telephone and shareholding.

Payment of Dividends

The board recommends that shareholders with holdings in the register records on May 3 are entitled to receive dividends for 1987. If this date is accepted by the Annual General Meeting it is expected that the Securities Register Centre will send out notices of payment to recorded shareholders and listed depositaries on May 10, 1988.

To facilitate payment of dividends, shareholders who have changed address are recommended to inform Värdepapperscentralen VPC AB, S-171 18 Solna, well before May 3.

Proxy forms are available from: AB SKF, S-415 50 Göteborg, Sweden. Tel: +46-31-37 26 52 & 37 10 00

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By Onr City Staff Bonded Laminates, producing

1987 figures on a merger accounting basis to take account of acquisitions and adjusting previous figures to an annual basis, shows pretax profits of £956,000 for the year ended December compared with £577,000 a year earlier.

The group went public last May after a placing of shares at 77p each. The profit increase was achieved after writing off £123,000 start-up costs in the United States and latest fig-

SCOTTISH WIDOWS' **FUND AND LIFE**

on Tuesday, the 3rd day of May 1988 at 2.30 pm for the following purposes:-

To elect Directors

To appoint Auditors To fix the remuneration of Directors.

To pass, if thought fit, the following Resolution ended to the Members by the Directors: That the remuneration of the Auditors for the

Meeting. A Proxy need not be a member of the Society. C.M. CAVAYE

15 Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh EH16 5BU

ASSURANCE SOCIETY

Notice is hereby given that the 174th Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Society will be held within the Head Office, 15 Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh,

To consider the Accounts and Balance Sheets for the year ended 31st December 1987 and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors.

current year be fixed by the Directors of the Society".

To transact any other ordinary business proper to an Annual General Meeting. Forms of Proxy for the use of Members of the Society who are unable to be present at the Meeting, but who may wish to vote thereat, may be obtained on application to the undersigned. To be effective Proxies must reach the Society's Head Office not less than two dear working days before the time for holding the

Managing Director



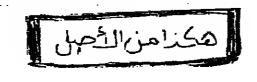
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Saatchi loses \$70m account over ad

New York (Reuter) - RJR Nabisco Inc ended its 18-year domestic relationship with Saatchi and Saatchi DFS Inc because the agency produced a television advertisement announcing Northwest Airlines' smoking ban, according to a New York Times report. The newspaper was quoting an unidentified RJR Nahisco employee.

The problem arose over the agency's failure to notify RJR Nabisco in advance, the employee said.

The agency, a subsidiary of Saatchi & Saatchi Co of Britain, lost \$70 million (£37 million) to \$80 million a year of advertising for RJR

manufacturer of food and lobacco products, the newspaper said.

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Northwest swore nll agency personnel to secrecy about the advertisement, hoping to get a lead on competitors by being the first to announce such a han, the newspaper quoted a senior Saalehi & Saatchi executive as saying.

Announcing its decision, RJR Nahisco said it ended its' relationship for domestic products of Nabisco Brands Inc and the products of Planters Lifesavers Co after philosophical differences emerged.

It mentioned neither the Nabisco, the fourth largest US airline commercial nor the advertiser and a leading value of its domestic contract.

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WORLD MARKETS: TOKYO

Nikkei jumps 195

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The Nikkei index climbed

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HONG KONG

Firm dollar lifts prices

(AP-Dow Jones) - Share stocks rose strongly, and trad-

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The Hang Seng index rose giving way to a more optimis-12.59 points to close at 2.556.56. Turnover was a tic outlook, market particiweak 778 million, up from 668 defensive utility shares and million last Thursday, before the Easter holiday,

(Reuter) - Share prices closed

higher in robust trading after

an overnight rebound on Wall

Street and a firmer dollar, with

market confidence boosted

and again supporting large

"The dollar and Wall Street

have been obstacles," said Mr

Hiroyuki Wada, general man-

ager of Okasan Securities.

capital issues, brokers said.

Among blue chips, property ter price performance,

buying land companies, which market by referring to the have traditionally offered bet-"golden cross" and indicating that now was the time to buy. **FRANKFURT Bullish mood boosts stocks**

change ended broadly higher in moderately active trading any sizcable supply, prices paced by a rally in bank issues. sion, they said. The Commerzbank index closed up 13.7 points at

APPOINTMENTS

Non-executive director

named at Rolls-Royce

to n Frankfurt foreign exset on Tuesday.

Rolls-Royce: Dr Gordon Hig-

ginson has been mnde a non-

Dietz. Fraser and Partners: Mr Aothony Fraser is named

Carlsberg Brewery: Mr Christopher Powell-Smith be-

comes a non-executive

Hotel Information Systems:

Mr Bob Battye has been appointed managing director.

Wardley Unit Trust Man-agers: Mr Richard Royds is

now managing director and Mr Stephen Cotterell be-

comes deputy managing

Thorntons: Mr David Sam-

worth and Mr John Seabright

are named as non-executive

Harold Holi: Sir Ian Hunter

becomes president, Mr Mar-

as joint managing director.

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(AP-Dow Jones) - Share and domestic investors 24.9 per cent stake last month. prices on the Frankfurt ex- poured into the market bro- The new share immediately kers said. In the absence of went up throughout the ses-

Kong property market slowly

pants were moving away from

Deutsche Bank benefited most from renewed interest in Brokers traced the bullish the financial sector, as the mood to the previous day's shares jumped DM15.40 to gains on Wall Street and the DM417.90. Dresdner Bank firmer dollar, which climbed climbed DM7.70 10 DM246.20, and Commerzchange fixing price of bank rose DM7.00 to DM1.6678 from DM1.6589 DM234.50.

Deutsche Verkehrs-Kredil-Trading volume was up Bank was officially traded for from the quiet sessions near the first time since the Bonn Easter as orders from foreign government's placement of a

Anthony Fraser: managing

director of Dietz, Fraser

tin Campbell-White is ap-

pointed chairman and Miss

Diana Rix and Mr Stephen

Wright are joint managing

directors.

rose above the issue price of DM155, and closed at DM164.50.

Most other blue chips gained less than DM5, but some speciality shares outperformed the general market. Henkel, a chemicals and detergent group, surged DM21.50 to DM502.50, and Hussel, n diversified retailing company, soared DM13.00 to

Among other retailers, Karstadt climbed DM11 to DM455, and Horten DM5,00 to DM186.

NEW YORK

Lacklustre gain for the Dow

(Reuter) - Shares generally narrowed their opening gains in lacklustre, early trading yesterday. With no important economic indicators due until next week, the market appears to be in a holding pattern, brokers reported.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose by 5 points to 2.002.51. In the broader market, rising shares had a small lead above declining issues.

Woolworth continued an opening decline, losing 1 % to 54%. Traders said that the fall may be the result of speculation that the Haft family has sold its stake in the company. On Tuesday, the Dow average closed 16.91 higher at 1.997.51.

■ Washington — Mr M Lee Pearce, an investor, said that he has increased his stake in American Medical Internalional's common stock to 5.21 million shares, or 6.5 per cent of the company's common stock, from about 5.8 per cent in early February.

In a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commis-sion. Mr Pearce said that he bought 560,700 American Medical common shares be-Iween February 8 and April 4 at \$13.12 to \$16.42 a share. Mr Pearce, who has spent \$71.4 million (£38 milliont to buy his current stake, gave no specific reason for the recent

SINGAPORE

Index up on thin trading

(AP-Daw Jones) - Share prices edged up in thin trading ns the market took heart from firmer closes in regional bourses and Wall Street, brokers said.

The Straits Times industrial index was up by 8.19 points to 935.02. while the all-share index was up 1.58 to 269.46. Advancing issues were ahead of losers by 102 to 57, and 197 were unchanged.

Volume rose to 13.6 million shares worth about Sing\$23.5 million (£6.25 million)

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SYDNEY

Foreigners on sidelines

(Reuter) - Shares closed lower vesterday after lacklustre trading on one of the lowest daily turnover levels since the October crash, brokers reported.

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One said: "The market was still suffering from post-Easter malaise and was very dull. The main feature of the market was the near total absence of offshore buying which caused most local institutions to sit on their hands and wait."

The All-Ordinaries index fell by 5.5 to 1.406.9 but the All-Industrials index firmed by 0.1 to 2.263.8. The All-Resources index fell by 8.7 to

Turnover totalled 60.15 million shares, worth Aus\$77.22 million (£30.38 million).

The News Corporation Iell 10 cents to Aus\$13.50 while Bond Media gained 3

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Europe	264 .6	(16.9)	277.6	(27.3)
U.Ş.A.	216 .0	14.3	263.3	(7 1)
Canada	184.7	2.0	1110	0.3
Australia	52 .D	(5.3)	66.7	(17.5)
Other overseas	124.4	3.1	180.5	(13.0)
	1,990.2	(107.7)	1,994.4	(78.3)

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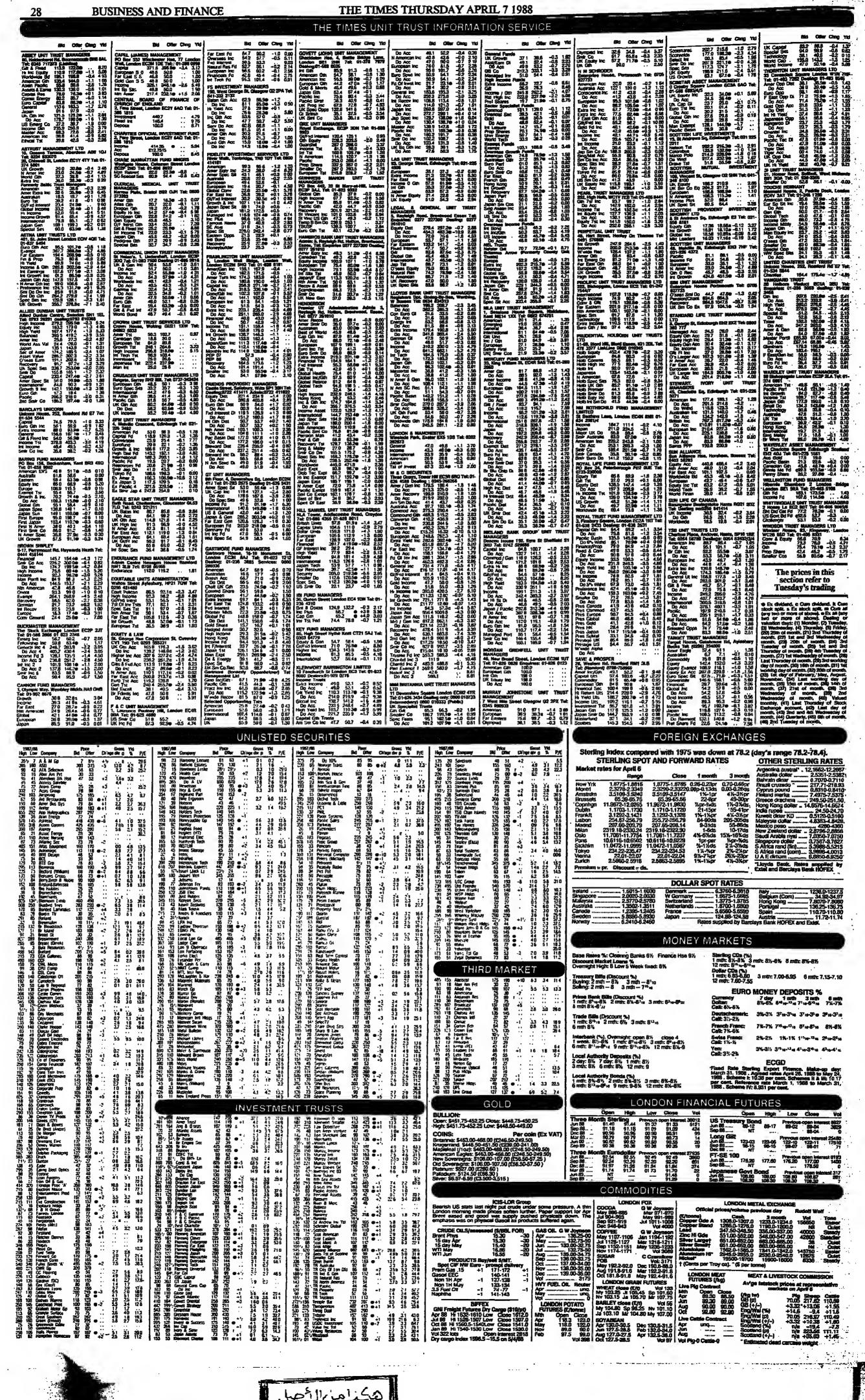
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GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

Corner-cutting employers seeking staff are encouraging cowboy recruitment methods, says Peter Underhill

panies are engaged in recruitment in in recruitment in the UK. Many of them prosper beently encourage undisciplined recruitment methods. But companies can run more effective, successful campaigns with an almost 100 per cent guarantee of

success, and in so doing dis-courage the cowboy agencies. Tell any successful executive that he is just "another product" and he will take umbrage. Yet, to hundreds of small recruitment companies, he is exactly that; to be packaged, sold and invoiced exactly as any other product with a profit margin.

Many employers are unwit-tingly encouraging and promoting this "supermarket" method of recruitment and, unless they put more emphasis on professional, ethical recruitment, the current laws on employment agencies will need to be tightened, either by the recruitment industry itself, or by the Government.

If a senior executive admitted to his board that he relied on Lady Luck to run his department, he would be called to account Such executives are expected to possess sufficient experience and skill to achieve their own, and their em-ployers', objectives. Why then do many companies allow executives to trust to luck in that most vital area in any company, its people? In doing so, they are encouraging a disturbing increase in question-

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able recruiting methods. Companies are reluctant to call in a human resources consultant, even when their staff requirement has become urgent, seeing it as an unnecessary expense. An increasing practice is to "contact the agencies to see what they have". Such an ill-considered instruction ensures that many totally unsuitable cv's will tumble through the letter-box, requiring a considerable amount of time and resources to sort through.

Even worse, once these agencies learn that company X is willing to employ people from such "scat-tergun" approaches, unsolicited cv's will continue to arrive and, almost as quickly, continue to be consigned straight to the waste-paper basket. These will be of candidates "on the books" of an candidate which companies his details have been sent to.

Statistically, nne placement is made from 10 interviews nut of every 550 cv's received, so this style of recruitment has become a volume numbers game which is, regrettably, on the increase.

The alternative, considerably mnre cost-effective, method illus-trated below results, on average, in nne placement from two inter-views, with no useless cv's to sort through. The wasting of valuable executive time is eliminated.

The recruitment of staff cannot

Don't let Lady Luck have a say in who is right for the job

be undertaken as a background task, and certainly should not be left to Lady Luck. It deserves the fullest attention and should be given as much priority as any other part of the company's

business. It rarely is.

The shortage of executive time is one of the main reasons for the recent explosive growth of recruitment consultancies, and a good nne will shun the "send me what cv's you have" approach, and never sends out unsolicited cv's.

Employers should therefore build a relationship with a good consultancy who can gain a much better picture of a client's needs than is possible as a "visiting fireman". The consultant will understand more closely the business of objectives, market strategies, and future plans. Only then can he begin to consider can-didates who fit both the compa-

is recruiting

ay's overall policies and the personalties they will work with.

Such an approach is statistically more likely to result in identifying, placing and keeping the right candidate and can only be achieved by client-oriented, rather than candidate-driven, consultancies.

Once a staff requirement has

been identified, an early meeting should be held with the consultant in draw up a comprehensive recruitment brief, detailing every aspect of the vacancy. Subsequently, the consultant from his knowledge of his specialist industry, may know a person who fits that brief exactly. If, and only if, this person can be satisfactorily screened against the recruitment brief, an interview can be arranged, and the positinn filled.

Hawever, it will probably be more appropriate to undertake an advertising campaign, for example in this General Appointments section of the newspaper.

Advertising is becoming an increasingly popular way of identifying the correct applicants for particular roles, up to and including managing directors. It has even overtaken "bead-hunting" in a number of marketplaces.

The initial brief will have been

tightly specified and the resulting advert will be written to gain maximum response from a particular profile of applicant. This gives the client and the consultant the greatest choice of well-qualified applicants who have expres-sed an interest in the particular position. And because all candidate contact will be made within a finite time, the assignment can be more closely controlled. Dates can be booked in good time in the busy executive's diary for interviewing short-listed candidates.

The brief will highlight a number of areas where there is little room for flexibility in certain aspects of an applicant's background. These can be investigated with a carefully constructed interview analysis. Whereas a "scattergun" campaign brings semi-matching candidates, a client dealing exclusively with one consultancy nn an assignment basis will be assured that his exact

requirements are met.

y leaving the task to a reputable firm whose success is built on a track-record of meeting similar requirments in nther companies, the client can concentrate no running his business without distraction.

After the initial briefing meeting, nnly me further day need be taken up for short-list interviews of screened, suitable and thor-

nughly well-briefed applicants. These candidates will invariably be more willing to accept an offer than if they had been "talked into" an interview with a company about whom they knew little, and who had responded to a mailshot cv from an "agency".

Once an assignment has been completed, the professional con-sultancy should then close the file and continue with the next one. They should not try to "sell" those unsuccessful respondents, gained through a client-financed advertisment, into other companies to boost profits. Otherwise, they too become nothing more than another "body-shop", and should be avoided. After all, would you like someone else's leftovers?

Undoubtedly, the secret of successful recruiting is the same as in any other area of industry, i.e. thorough preparation and groundwork. Using a reputable con-sultancy and building a close relationship will result in a struc-tured approach to each require-ment. Luck will play no part in finding the right person for each particular vacancy and, because the consultant is working on behalf of a client company, there is a more evenly balanced commitment nn both sides which ensures a controlled, carefully mnnitored campaign. This will benefit the client, candidate and consultant.

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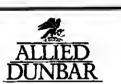
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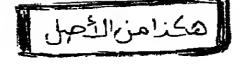
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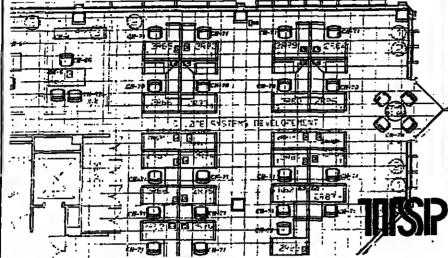
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suppose most of us have ideas which we have toyed with but never really brought to fruition. We may dream of singing at Glyndebourne, but instead we confine our musical ambitions to membership of the Chortleton and District Choral Society and performing the occasional solo at one of Uncle Herbert's musical evenings.

The trouble is not so much that we lack the courage to carry our ideas through Moreover, as the years progress we become stuck in our particular rut and cast aside what plans and amibitions we may once have nurtured.

Every so often, however, I come across someone who has an idea which he is determined to get off the ground whatever the cost. It may be rather unusual...something which has not been tried before, which means that there are no guidelines to follow. Io cases like this you need more than just a sprinkling of courage and singlemiodedness in order

An interest in antique maps and the early Middle Ages might seem fascinating pursuits for ooe's spare time, if such is one's inclination. But are they the stuff that businesses are built on? You don't have to be a confirmed sceptic to think

Yet John Garnons Williams is the sort of man who can confound the sceptics. Six years ago he conceived the idea of producing a series of country maps using the place names that appear io the Domesday Book. Now he has a flourishiog husiness which employs eight part-timers and he has just branched out into limited edition atlases.

John is not — as you might imagine — a scholar attached to an ancieot university. He used to be a helicopter pilot with the RAF and also found time to pursue a oumber of varied spare time interests at ground level. Both he and his wife are experts on the Norman period and they both visit Bayeux every summer to give lectures to British tourists oo William the Conqueror and his era.

As John flew over the British countryside one day he began to think of William I's great enterprise - a survey of the realm he had conquered - which later became known as the Domesday Book. The survey was a remarkable achievement lacking only one modern feature: maps. This is not surprising. Map-making was very much in its iofancy after the Norman Conquest, and the first accurate county maps of England did not appear until the latter half of the 16th Century.

John is a keen amateur cartographer

Norman Conquest. The county boundaries had changed very little since Saxon times, before local government reorganization, but the actual place-names had. Yorkshire was known as Euviscire and Berkshire was Berrochescire.

The idea developed into a hobby, and the hobby became an enterprise. John decided to set up his own map publishing business to develop his idea.

To start a business, you need capital. True, he had some savings and a terminal grant to fall back on, but this was not sufficient to keep him afloat A former helicopter pilot

has brought his map-

reading down to earth and taken it back into history to make good a glaring omission, says

Roger Jones in the last

of our series on the countryside

until the hoped-for profits poured in. He needed time to do research and design the maps. "It was only possible to do this

because I commuted my RAF pension, John explained. This was a bold step. Not many people are prepared to gamble away their pension on what is plainly a risk venture.

But in a sense it was a calculated risk. During his last three years as a helicopter iostructor Joho speot virtually every spare minute beavering away at his Domesday map project - 20 to 30 hours a week, according to his estimate. At the end of this period his research

was well under way and he had got a suitable style worked out. He decided, for example, to incorporate motifs from the Bayeux Tapestry (which is cootem-poraneous with the Domesday Book) in his design and to include a line s design and to include only those place-names which have survived as modern villages, towns or streets. Agreed, such a map might prove

inadequate for the purposes of mediaeval scholarship. But this was a deliberate ploy on John's part. His maps and he began to toy with the idea of are aimed at the general public, as were

launching an enterprise of his own - a those of the great county mapmakers of series of English maps showing the country as it was at the time of the John Speed and Joho Cary.

Not that academics have exactly shunned his series. Indeed, complete sets of the Domesday maps have been bought hy university libraries throughout the English-speaking world. John's gamble is now starting to pay off.

Having completed the series, he is currently engaged on a series of limited edition Domesday England atlases. The first of these, appropriately enough, was presented to the Conqueror's descendant and namesake, Prince William. John has just handbound and despatched his eleventh atlas, and he plans to produce

I wondered how he set about market-ing his products. Until now, it appears, he has done very little advertising as such. He has, however, written articles on his work for *Popular Archaeology* and a number of county magazines - all of which have stimulated interest. Recently the Shropshire Employment Promotion Association has given him a helping hand with a portable exhibition stand which he takes to shows up and down the

Being still very much a one-man band, he is proceeding cautiously - and he is probably wise to do so. It is, after all, difficult to estimate the market for maps like this. Publishers of up-to-date motor-ing atlases, hy cootrast, have a much clearer idea of how many people are likely to huy, since they have door it all

learly, marketing is an area he needs to concentrate on now in order to finance his next venture. This is a series of maps of ancient civilizations and he reckons it will keep him husy for the next decade. He has already begun the exhaustive research that such a project demands, with reconnaissance visits to Turkey, Greece and Israel.

lo recognition of his work John was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society two years ago. Now that he has made a name for himself, it is quite possible he could find a publisher who would finance the venture and pay him

However, I have the impressioo that John Garnons Williams relishes being his own boss. He has shown courage in setting off oo a venture which does oot promise instant fame and fortune, and he clearly possesses the resilience to see it through. Such people deserve to succeed. John Garnon Williams's address is:

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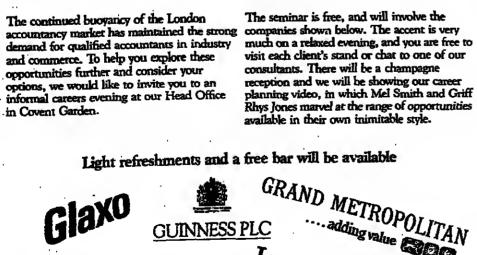
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Deemed planning consent for the display of estate agent's "for sale" boards outside a residential property, under Class III(a) of regulation 14 of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations (SI 1984 No 2227) was limited to total of one advertisement to a total of one advertisement per sale or letting.

An estate agent alleged to be displaying a board in contraven-tion of the 1984 Regulations could be properly convicted even though he displayed his own advertisement with deemed consent first and was ignorant of the existence of a Ascond board placed by a rival

The Queen's Bench Di-visional Court so held in dismissing an appeal by way of, case stated by Mr A. H. Porter, a partner in the firm of Whitman Perter Estate Agents, against his convictions by Richmond Jus-tices for two offences of displaybeing an estate agent's sale board being one of two such boards displayed, without consent having been granted, contrary to regulation 6 of the 1984 Regulations and section 109(2) of the Town and Country Planning

The prosecutions, relating to boards displayed at 18 The Vineyard, Richmond, one belonging to the appellant and the other to Bonsor Pagningtons and the other to Bonsor Penningtons: and the other to boards at 25/28 The Hermitage, Richmond, one belonging to the appellant and the other to Mann Co, had been brought by Mr Michael Honey, chief executive and town clerk of the London Borough of Richmond upon

Mr T. E. Bergio for the appellant, Mr David Lamming for the council.

LORD JUSTICE BINGHAM said that the appeal raised a vexed problem because different local authorities had favoured different solutions. The Town and Country Planning (Courtel of Advertisements) (Amendance No. 2) Perulation (St. ment No 2) Regulations (SI 1987 No 421), coming into effect in October 1988 would impose a statutory solution, but a number of cases awaited the outcome of this appeal.

The offence created by section. 109(2) of the Act was to display an advertisement in contravenlion of the provisions of the 1984 Regulations, which occ-ured if it was displayed without express or deemed consent.

There having been no express consent, the defendant appellant had to show deemed consent.

Class III(a) of regulation 14 permitted display, without ex-press consent, of advertisements: the land on which they were injure aggreeve or annoy for the displayed limited to one purposes of the conspiracy was

advertisement in respect of each alternative argument, if the such sale or letting.

His Lordship agreed with the conclusion of the justices that the deemed consent under class III(a) could not be for one board per advertiser. There would be deemed consent for the first and only board, but no deemed nt once 2 second board was displayed.

The vendor or lessee was the building owner. He could only sell or let once. The 1984 Regulations plainly limited the building owner to one board. In his Lordship's view they plainly limited estate agents similarly.

If a second board was dis-played the building owner and both agents committed an offence because the limitation to One advertisement in respect of exceeded. It could not be said that each agent had only dis-played one board in respect of his sale or letting because he was not selling or letting at all, merely advertising the building owner's willingness to sell or let.:

It was initially surprising that an act, lawful when done could become unlawful as the result of something done by a stranger. But that was, in his Lordship's view, the effect of the 1984 Regulations. The 1987 amendment, in his Lordship's view, showed that Parliament was willing to impose a hard rule to achieve a result regarded as:

It was not argued, his Lord-ship thought rightly, that a first board erected with deemed consent continued to enjoy that deemed consent, even after the crection of a second board, if the second board was erected with-Out deemed consent.

The appellant advanced an

The proper construction of the

word "administer" in section 24 of the Offences against the Person Act 1861 did include

conduct which, not being the

application of direct physical force to the victim, nevertheless

brought the noxious thing into contact with the victim's body.

Justice O'Connor, Mr Justice McNeill and Mr Justice Ognall) so held on March 23 when

dismissing the appeal of Simon

Paul Gillard against bis conviction on July 3, 1987 at the Central Criminal Court (Judge Butler) for conspiracy as laid down in the indictment under section 1 of the Criminal Law

MR JUSTICE McNEILL said

that the offence of causing to be administered to a person a

The Court of Appeal (Lord

Regina v Gillard

### Disqualifying person acting as a director

Ltd and Other Companies In re the Companies Act 1985 Before Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkioson, Vice-Chancellor Judgment March 30]

one advertisement in total was For the purposes of applications permissible per sale or letting, then, it was said, no offence under sections 295 and 300 of the Companies Act 1985 seeking could be committed in the absence of knowledge by the defendant of the facts giving rise to the offence, namely that the defendant was one of two persons each displaying a sepato disqualify a person from acting as a director, the word "director" referred to a person de facto acting as a director even though not appointed as such. rate advertisement in respect of

correct interpretation of regula-tion 14 Class !!!(a) was that only

a single sale or letting.

The justices held that section

109(2) created an absolute of-fence. His Lordship agreed. The

offence was committed "if any

person displayed" not "if any person knowingly displayed". The very limited defence pro-

vide by by the proviso to section

109(3) was inconsistent with

any general requirement of

His Lordsbip could not think that Parliament intended to

burden local authorities with the

task of showing what one estate agent knew about the activities of another.

HUTCHISON, agreeing, said that local authority practice was

to prosecute estate agents rather than vendors. However, the latter would invariably have the knowledge that a second board

It might be thought, therefore, if the offencee was widespread, that it would be more effectively

curtailed if the house owners

Estate agents might be de-terred if they knew their prin-cipals might suffer the same indignity.

Solicitors: Axelrods, Rich-

His Lordship said that on

October 14 or 15, 1986 the appellant with other persons

mond: Mr Roger G. Smith,

had been erected.

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1861 Act.

were confiscated.

In section 300, Parliament's plain intentioo was to have regard to the conduct of a person acting as a director, whether validly appointed, invalidly appointed, or just assuming to act as a director without any appointment at all.

Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Vice-Chancellor, so held in the Chaocery Division on an application by the Official Receiver to disqualify Mr Peter Roy Pattison Browning from acting as a director.

Mr Anthony Bompas for the Official Receiver, Mr Charles Turnbull for Mr Browning.

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR said that Mr Browning had been a director of four companies, all of which went into insolvent liquidation between October 15, 1979 and October 27, 1984.

The allegations of misconduct, as amended during the hearing, were: (a) Mr Browning allowed Lo

Line Electric Motors (Maldon) Ltd ("Maldon"), from which be resigned as director on June 2, the running after the receiver, Mr Kanter, had absconded to the USA in November 1982, although he was never reappointed as director, to trade after mid-1980 when he ought to have known the company was have known the company was insolvent, and that he allowed Special Electric Motors Ltd ("SEM") to trade unprofitably after November 1983, when it ought to have known it was

(b) Lo-Line Electric Motors Ltd provided for in section 24 of the ("Lo-Line"), of which he was a director, and Maldon and SEM traded with moneys that should have been paid over in respect of Crown debts.

unknown returned from Dieppe (e) He carried on the business of to Newhaven where he, when SEM, incorporated in Decemstopped, was found to be in possession of a gas pistol, gas ber 1982 to take over the remains of Maldon following artridge and a gas spray. They the failure of Lo-Line in October 1979 and Maldon (finally wound up in April 1983) "with-oul any nouceable change in the modus operandi and with no reasonable or probable ground The prosecution alleged that' the others, who were not stopped, carried out a planned CS gas attack against the door-man of Drummonds wine bar in of expectation that its business Richmond oo October 16 with would succeed".

the use of spray cans. The appellani was arrested at the scene and was convicted for conspiring to administer CS gas, from a canister thereby occasioning actual bodily harm. (d) Mr Browning failed to ensure the filing of annual returns and accounts for Lo-Line, Maldon, SEM and of another company of which he was director, Maldon Pressure Upon the true construction of Die Casting Co Ltd ("PDC"). It was clear from the final

section 24 of the 1861 Act the word "administer" was apt in law to encompass the spraying words of section 300() of CS gas from a canister into only conduct "as director words of section 300(1) that relevant in considering if a person was unfit to be a director.
The primary purpose of the section was not 10 punish the individual but to protect the public against future conduct by persons whose past records as directors of insolvent companies had shown them to be a

danger to creditors and others. The power to disqualify was not fundamentally penal but disqualification involved a substantial interference with freedom, and it followed that the rights of the individual bad to be fully protected.

Ordinary commercial mis-judgment did not in itself justify disqualification. In the normal case the conduct complained of had to display a lack of commercial probity, although no doubt in an extreme case of gross negligence or total incom-petence, disqualification could be appropriate.

Since disqualification involved penal consequences it was necessary that the person should know the charges be had

As a result of matters arising during the hearing the Official Receiver had sought to change his ground, but no notice had been given to Mr Browning. There were conflicts of evidence, and in the absence of cross-examination the court had to proceed on the footing that Mr Browning's evidence was

After referring to In re Daw-son Prim Group ([1987] BCLC 601]. In re Wedgecroft Ltd | Mr Justice Harman, unreported (1986)) and In re Stanford

Services Ltd ([1987] BCLC 607), his Lordship concluded that the use of moneys, which should have been paid to the Crown, to finance the continuation of an iosolvent company's business was more culpable than failure

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to pay commercial debts. Mr Browning was oot de jure director of Maldon after his retirement on June 2, 1980, but after Mr Kanter's disappearance in November 1982 he de facto ran Maldon until it ceased trading in March 1983, and similarly with PDC.

Since the definition of director was inclusive and not exhaustive its meaning had to be derived from the words of the Act as a wbole. It was not possible 10 treat a de facto director as a director for all purposes: in sections 282, 212, 293(2) and 288 the word had to refer to de jure director alone. but in some sections the word had to include a person who was

not a de jure director. As a matter of construction his Lordship held that in section 300 it did include a person actiog as director although not appointed as such.

There was no reason why Parliament should have intended the decision to disqualify to turn on the validity of appointment. The conduct relevant to future suitability to act as a director depended on a man's past record irrespective of the circumstances in which be came to act as such.

His Lordship referred to In re Eurostem Maritime Ltd ([1987] PCC 190), In re Canadian Land

((1880) 14 ChD 6601. In re New Parconsols Ltd ([1892] | QB 5731 and Morris r Kanssen ([1946] AC 459).

On that basis his Lordship concluded, as to allegation (a), there were two periods to consider before and after Mr Kanter's disappearance. Throughout the first he was not director and his conduct irrelevaor, but as to the second he was in full control and plainly aware that Maidon was insol-

However, he was faced with a difficult situation and took the view that the business should be continued so that in due course the profitable part could be

It was, in his Lordship's view. commercially culpable to trade during that period, but in assessing the extent of the culpability his Lordship took into account the very difficult circumstances. There was no similar excuse with regard to SEM, where he should have realized it was quite improper to continue to trade.

As to allegation (bl. Mr Browning said that he was not primarily responsible for the financial management of the companies, hut, even allowing for that, substantial Crown debts remained unpaid and he could not consistently with his duties as a director abdicate all responsibility for financial management. The history of his conduct in relation to all the companies showed a cynical willingness to use the unpaid

failing companies.

As to allegation (c). Mr Browning had not had a proper opportunity to put in evidence. the Official Receiver having changed his ground, and it

would not be fair to consider the much modified charge. As to allegation (dl. although failure to make returns was proved, bis Lordship, in the particular circumstances, did not attach great importance to

the failure. Putting all the factors to-gether, Mr Browning had been shown to have behaved in a commercially culpable manner in trading through limited cominies when he knew them to be insolvent and in using the ungaid Crown debts to finance

such trading. His conduct indicated that without adequate financial and managerial supervision he could not at present be trusted to run a limited company in such a way as not to constitute a risk to his

creditors. However, it was not now suggested that he was consciously dishonest and the case therefore did not call for prolonged disqualification. Trust-ing that, as Mr Browning had said, he had learnt from experience what was required of a director, his Lordship proposed to disqualify him for three years.

His Lordship made an exception, subject to special strict conditions, with regard to two family companies.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor;

#### Objective test of 'selling' an article The prosecution had therefore

DPP v Holmes

Before Lord Justice Bingham and Mr Justice Hutchison [Judgment March 25]

In determining whether a per-'son "sold" an article, contrary to section 21(1)(b) of the Copyright Act 1956, which he knew to be an infringing copy of a work in which copyright existed, it was necessary to consider objec-tively what passed between the buyer and vendor and not what was in the minds of the parties.

The Queen's Bench Di-visional Court so held in allowing an appeal by case stated by the prosecution against a deeision of Birmingham Mag-istrates Court that Stephen David Holmes had no case to answer on a charge under sec-tion 21(1)(b) of the Copyright

Mr Henry Carr for the rosecution: Mr David Ellis for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE BINGHAM said that the huyer, a Dr Webb, realized that the document offered for sale was an illegal photocopy and contacted the police. The police arranged for Dr Webb to be wired to a tape recorder when he met the defendant to conclude the sale. The defendant offered to sell

information. handed the work to Dr Webb in exchange for a cheque for £5,000 and wrote out a receipt, the police then arrested the defen-

The magistrates found that Dr Webb had no intention of buying the information. He was ing to go along with the sale, If

His Lordship said that the

question of whether a contract had been concluded was not decided on a consideration of the police had not intervened he they shared the same intention would have stopped the cheque. but on the objective consid-

eration of what passed between failed to prove a sale as there was no intention to enter legal relations and no binding con-

It was quite clear in this case that there had been an offer of the work for sale which Dr therefore the clear opinion of the court that there had been a

Solicitors: Crown Prosecution Service, Birmingham: Warren &

### Court must supply transcripts

Before Lord Donaldson Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Parker and Lord

[Judgment March 16] A judge had no discretion to refuse to supply a transcript of his judgment to an appellant who requested it for the pur-poses of his appeal.

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Judge Harris had been a pioneer of the system. He had used the machine for recording The MASTER OF THE his judgments in the present cases, However, when Mr Ewing minster County Court some or 'wrote requesting the transcripts

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the transcripts, on the ground that he had a discretion to do so under section 80 of the County Courts Act 1984. He had however misunderstood the section.

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# Red Rum in the home straight

Saturday, Royalty is due Or, putting it another way, the undisputed King of Aintree will be present in the paddock area on Grand National Day to see his life-size statue unveiled by the Princess Royal. The King, of course, is Red Rum, now 23, and a veteran in all hut looks; winner of the National three times, placed twice - and even in his youngest days on the Flat a deadheat winner and runner-up on his other two Liverpool appearances.

Nor is the royal simile such an extravagant fancy. Red Rum is still an idol of the crowds wherever he goes. His ceremonial expertise and dignity, whether deployed in open-ing a supermarket or gracing a garden party, is beyond question or reproach. The Princess Royal, flying in hy helicopter is fitting the occasion into her busy schedule, while Red Rum, stepping from his £28,000 Mercedes horse box, is fitting it into his.

His diary, managed by Peter Rougier of Red Rum Limited, is a packed one for this week leading up to the National. Last Saturday he was in Cardiff declaring a betting shop well and truly open. On Tuesday he was in south-east London and spending the night in stables in Wandsworth before another London engagement. To-morrow he is due before the TV cameras at Pehble Mill, and then on Saturday on to Aintree, the place which, according to his old friend and trainer, Ginger McCain, excites him most of all. Last Autumn, he says, "doing something there for television, we were down near the National start and he really got lit up. He was nearly doing somersaults".

Red Rum, although his racing exploits are now epic pages of Grand National history, has never really retired. Although in the yard-he is sometimes called "the old one", and gallops on Southport sands are a thing of the past, he still retains spring in his step and youth in his heart. The interest he shows in his activities illustrates a secret of continuing life which many a retired human might envy.

Last year, however, it was found that he had a contraction of the artery in his off-hind leg, rather like a thrombosis. In consequence, he was put on eight grammes of warsarin a day, crushed into his feed, to help thin the blood. It was also decided to cut his social engagements. "We tried to fade it down, and phase it out, really." McCain says. "But he genuinely seemed to miss them.



"Like all the old footballers and

athletes, bring them out into the limelight and they brighten up, don't they? The engagements moti-vated the old beggar, he loves them, he gets that hit more edge to him."

o the diary was reopened: not to its former capacity hut enough to keep Red Rum happy. The morning I went to see him in the now-famous Birkdale yard behind the trainer's car showrooms, he certainly presented the picture of a happy horse. After demolishing his mid-morning feed, he was ready to give undivided attention, not unconnected perhaps, with the mints I had brought and on which he dotes; and as the mints relentlessly went down, it was difficult to connect the National glory and the Aintree scenes of the past with the undeniable present; an affectionate and gentle creature in a brown rug with

shavings clinging to it, standing in the same whitewashed box he has now occupied for the past 16 years.

Red Rum, when not on his travels, spends most of his time in that box. Routine begins at 6.30 in the morning. He has the first of his three daily feeds of oats and cubes with bran supplemented by two good nets of hay a day and mashes twice a week. There follows a good dressing-over at about eight o'clock by the travelling head lad, Kenneth Critchley, then he is led out for half an hour. Then back into his box from where he keeps a very lively eye on the other horses in the yard,

A break in that pattern came when Philip Blacker, the former National Hunt rider (and another Aintree veteran) who has fashioned Red Rum in bronze, came down to take photographs and measurements and get to know him; and in turn, Red Rum travelled down for a

From G. T. Middlemiss

Sir, For some years now I have been becoming more and more

and off-field hooliganism is associated with on-field behav-

iour and violence. This, al-though diminished in this

country through the security

measures and good policing which has been imposed on

crowds, appears to be spreading

across the globe and invading countries where, some years ago, it would have been

I am convinced that a lot of

the hooliganism is generated by the unruly element seeing the

players get away with "murder" on the field under the cover of

high finance, which football undoubtedly is these days.

I feel that if the clubs were to

be taken to task for the on-field behaviour (after all, the players

perform according to instruc-tions) and made to pay for the players' transgressions by being

week to his studio. A break comes also when Red Rum, eager and ears

McCain says with great pride: "Do you know, in all the hundreds of appearances he has made, he has never once blotted his copybook. He has only ever kicked someone once, and that was a policeman! ut he was a marvellous

pricked, goes on his social round.

policeman who said 'If you're going to be kicked by anybody, it might as well be by Red Rum." Apart from that, and an aversion

to vets, he loves people, and loves being the centre of attention. This was always so, and in the days when he used to go out with the string in to the husy street near the stable. ridden by Lesley Rimmer, the stable lass who has looked after him for the past dozen years, McCain describes it as "like the scene in a

western when the gunmen hit town. The street used to empty, all the trainic stopped because Red Rum went sideways, jumping, kicking, plunging. But when he got to Kent Road, second on the left, he would drop his head and be as good as gold. Bloody old fool. He had to put on his act."

And that, of course, sums up a large part of Red Rum's character, to this day. He retains an outsize ego hut, unlike that of so many stars, the ego contains a heart of gold. The thousands who come to the National on Saturday will want to see the Princess Royal and Philip Blacker's fine statue. But above all they will want a glimpse of Red Rum. For in that well-loved frame, both the Grand National and Seagram, the sponsors, possess their greatest public relations officer. Long may it

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ship, and that such action brings the sport concerned into disrepute.

I cannot believe that Mabbutt's

As a regular spectator over many years, both here and in West Germany. I have noticed that such fouls are on the

increase and frequently the cul-prits escape retribution.

Any sport is the poorer for such behaviour.

actions were accidental.

Yours truly, Mike Turner.

March 29.

45. Low Greens, Berwick-upon-Tweed,

### Powell will not rush the early and the Chart Aintroo Cub Chase at A Aintree fences

Brendan Powell has every chance of realizing one of his greatest racing ambitions when Rhyme 'N' Reason lines up for the Scagram Grand National on Saturday. And the Irishman, aged 27, now based near Lambourn is relishing the prospect of riding one of the best horses in the race.

"If he takes to the fem the one they've all got to beat. He'll always find a turn of foot,

very well handicapped."

Despite Rhyme 'N' Reason's form this season — four wins and two seconds — until he fell in the Cheltenham Gold Cap, the nine-year-old's jumping at the early fences has always been a source of some concern. Powell, who fell on Glearne at the third fence last year, hopes this will not present any problems at Aintree. "In three-mile chases they sometimes go a great gallopearly on, and this can unsettle him, because he never does anything in a hurry. But you don't need to be in a hurry over the first two miles of the National."

After starting with Pat Hogan in Ireland, Powell moved to Jenny Pitman's yard six years ago as head lad and occasional point-to-point rider. There followed nine months with Stan Mellor and a year with David Gandolfo, during which time he turned professional.

"To be honest, I wasn't all that keen on riding then, probably because I had been riding such terrible horses in point-to-point and amateur races."

Nevertheless he persisted, and three years ago began his fruitful association with Les Kennard, until Kennard stopped training a year ago. "We gut on really well, and it was a shock when he packed up. All the best horses were sold, apart from Panto Prince."

Panto Frince.

Powell has been freelancing this season, and recorded his higgest win to date when he and Jamesmead slogged through the bottomiess ground at Newbury to win the Tote Gold Trophy two.

me and the borse, we loved the ground. Powell said, grinning. "It was a locky spare ride, because Graham Bradley, had, ridden the horse in the past, but he can't do 10 stone." Powell, who numbers eating mong his hobbies, is one of

Jack Waterman those fortunate jockeys who can easily make the bottom weight.



remembers that in his early days
he had to pad out Powell's house,
with shingwards to stop his legiratiling around in them. It will be
With the retirement of Color
Brown, Powell bopes to have
more rides for David Elsworth in more rules for Davia Lisworth in the future, although it will be Simon Sherwood who nartners. Desert Orchid in the Chivas Regal Cup Chuse today, renev-ing the partnership which ran away with the 1986 King George

Tve done well enough freelancing this year, Powell said, but I'd love to ride more horses for Mr Elsworth sext season, although I've not heard anything about that yet." Another house from the Elsworth yard which Powell will

Elsworth yard which Powell will be partnering on Sainrday is Sir. Blake, who fell at the last when only a length down to Reber Song in the Sun Alliance Notices Hurdle at Cheltenham, This time the seven-year-old has top weight in the final race of their Aintree meeting. Powell also has the ride on Pauto Prince. Bith behind Pearlyman in the Queen Mother Champion Chase and who again takes on the country's top two-mile chaser in the Acaptain Morgan Chase on Saturday. Saturday.

"Panto Prince is a class horse," Powell said, "and the particle than race was the first; time he has been out of the first two in 13 chases. He has never liked Cheltenham anyway and at Liverpool we get a stone and three from Pearlyman."

After that race, Brendan Por ell will be concentrating on the arging one, on keeping out of of trouble and jumping those crucial early leaces.

Naturally 1'd love to war the 3 National, he said, and this could be my best chance ever But as long as we get round that's the main thing. I'd be jus

More to the East German success story than just facilities

### Fine administration the key

From John Goodbody, East Berlin

The need for Britain to make far more efficient use of its financial pared to the streamlining here. must be placed on passing on promising voungsters from resources. existing facilities, coaches and medical support, in order to fulfil its sporting poten-Britain is not appropriate for tial, is likely to to be the main Mnyuiban, the Minister for Sport, and Sebastian Coe, a vice-chairman of the Sports Council, from their three-day

which ended yesterday. central government plus about £160 million in sponsorship — They were impressed with the administrative structure and the way in which talent is identified hui less excited about the availahle facilitles. Moynihan said: "It is a myth to believe that the East German success rests on very expensive and highly-

sophisticated facilities. Ours are often in much better shape. "However, the East Germans support and a comprehensive co-ordination right from school to international level. We need gold medal standards in administration off the track to win gold medals on the track." He said the British approach was often

official tour of East Germany

pared to the streamlining here.

The Minister, who is drawing schools to clubs. Moynihan The Minister, who is drawing up a report on British sport said: "At the moment the structure in

serving the sportsmen and women. We are reviewing this and it will be a radical review." Moynihan stressed that the available money – £700 million at local government level, £38.8

musi be "properly directed to-wards a goal." He pointed out that for a long jumper in East Germany the most important considerations were coaching and medical sup-port. The last was the quality of the pit itself. "The East Germans have a first rate back-up, particularly at school level, in the identification and narturing

Coe said: "The school is the centre of sport in East Germany and it is clearly failing to be that in the United Kingdom." Greater emphasis, he added,

added: "What we have to question is whether we are develop-ing the skills of the youngsters. ing the success of their pupils?"

At adult level Coe was particularly impressed with the medical set-up, spending four hours at the centre in Dresden. In every region of East Germany there is a sports doctor, who acts as a focal point for enquiries at any time of day or night. He can put the competitor immediately touch with the relevant hospital specialist. If the problem continues with

an East German compettor then a council of medical advisers is formed, including the sports doctor, team doctor and two or three other people who have specific knowledge of the particular ailment. These addi-tional people, who have an interest in the subject, are not paid. Coe said: "There are not massive financial implications in the extreme life implications in the system. It is largely down to good co-ordination.

### Restrictions give salmon a chance

By Conrad Voss Bark

A review of salmon fishing in Norway, just published by the Atlantic Salmon Trust, shows that the Norwegians are well ahead of the British in organizing conservation measures. From next year there will be a from next year there will be a total ban on drift netting and from this year onwards a ban on the use of monofilament in salmon nets, a shortening of the fishing season for certain other commercial nets, as well as n greater restriction on licensing.

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By next year something like 20,000 drift nets will become illegal, so that many hundreds of thousands of extra salmon will escape to the rivers for spawning and sport fishing. In Britain, fishery ministers have shrugged off the idea of banning drift netting, saying there is no call

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some rivers salmon weighing more than 20kg (44lhs) are For salmon fishing in Norway there are between 400 10 500 rivers available for game fishing, far and away the most important being the Tana, in the far north Sport fishing, either from boat or from land, starts on most rivers in June and lasts until the

on the border with Finland which, in 1985, yielded more than 84 tonnes of salmon, sea trout and anadronous char. end of August. Information can be obtained at Norwegian tourist Next was the Gaula, with only 30 tonnes. The Alta produced the biggest individual rod-caught salmon with an average in 1985 of 6.7kgs, followed closely by the Laerdal with 6.4kgs. offices or the Norwegian Associ-ntion of Hunters and Anglers at: PO Box 98, 1364 Hvalstad, Norway.

Acid rain, hydro-electric works and disease have caused great damage to salmon stocks. There are many different types of salmon, all inhabiting In some rivers, particularly in southern Norway, some salmon populations have been wiped out their own special rivers to which they practically niways return. hy acid rain. A parasite from Each river population is an isolated one, some rivers are inhabited only by grilse, and multi-sea winter fish and in salmon hatcheries has also caused considerable damage to wild fish. The export of farm salmon is now n huge industry.

Replacement

sponsor in the pipeline

After the recent announcement that MeEwan's Lager will terminate its sponsorship agreement with the South League at the end of this season, the search for a new sponsor to take the League — the largest in the country, with over 200 clubs — into the 1990s may already have ended (Sydney Friskin writes).

David Herring the League's David Herring, the League's secretary, said yesterday that the

management committee would meet on April 26 to consider a new sponsorship offer. He also explained that the sponsorship agreement with McEwan's La-ger had run its natural threethemselves would, in turn, be responsible for providing the entertainment and sport for entertainment and sport for which they are supposed to be

From Mrs M. E. Lever Sir, In the Times Diary (March 29] it might be that Ms Lowe has got hold of the wrong end of the stick. The Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race is a private contest and just happens to provide a good spectacle. Ms Lowe does not have to look out of her window, or even hold a Boat Race party. Perhaps

looked up to by the crowds.

A private contest

it is not too late for her to take an interest in rowing. There are some excellent crews on the Tideway worth watching from her window, and after all it is an Olympic year and our dedicated oarsmen and

women always do us proud, and

Yours sincerely. Margaret E Lever, Troedyrhiw Farm, rstrad Mynach.

People do care From Mr D. Armstrong Sir, What a very sad article appeared in today's (Tuesday, March 29) Times Diary. Shirley Lowe asks provocatively:

Oti should change From Mr D. S. Cooke
Sir. Now that the deserved
praise and adulation of Chris
Oti, for his three tries in the Irish match, has died down, he should seriously consider his future in rugby football.

He has, through the media, certainly paraded his serious intentions to score tries, tries, tries in the future. The crowd at Twickenham on that rare Sat-urday was treated to a feast which regularly is enjoyed by rugby crowds in the other code.

There is no doubt in my mind that the individual skills of the players in League football today under difficult circumstances)
responsible — hut the moneyseekers who run the clubs
nowadays. It is they who should are far in advance of those of past times, so it is regrettable that an established first division be made to pay. player of the standing of Gary Mahhutt, of Tottenham Hotspur, has to go to such lengths to check Nigel Clough's

If, for instance, the club was fir. for instance, the club was fined £1,000 per free kick and £5,000 per penalty. I feel sure that the game would be dramaucally cleaned up overnight and the proceeds could be donated to the policing (which would still be necessary to a degree) of progress as your picture, published on March 28, so elearly One asks why is Mabbutt's right hand elutching Clough's left shoulder while his left arm is the matches or even a compensation fund for any injuabout to lock itself round Clough's waist? One may also ask if Nottingham Forest were given a free kiek for the offence. ries suffered by innocent bystanders.

I would certainly be interested in the response to a revolutionary suggestion - especially from the clubs. Yours faithfully G. T. MIDDLEMISS.

Fine clubs for players' on-field transgressions

players (who think they are dning themselves and football

favours) or the referees (who only wish to get on with the game and do an admirable job

fined for every foul, free kiek. and more so for penalties, the on-field violence would take a turn for the better. The players April I. Blatant foul play

Gidea Park.

From Mr Mike Turner
Sir. As a boy I was taught that
deliberate foul play at any game
is an indication of a player's lack

I do not hold either the of ability, as well as sportsman-

"Does anyone ... care any more whether Oxford or Cam-hridge wins (the Boat Race)?"

People may not stand beneath

her window in the drizzle anymore, because the event is so excellently covered on the television, which offers more informative and comfortable

What this does mean is that on Boat Race night, there are fewer of Bertie Woosters' pals on the street looking for police-men's helmets — i.e. as far as the public is concerned, the whole event is slightly less of a party than it used to be.

A large number of people watch the Boat Race, an occasion which still exhibits the very essence of the British sporting spirit. A very large number of them really do care rather a lot who wins, thus giving form to this sporting spirit.

But the life blood, which gives this spirit its vitality, is supplied by the countless hordes of members, past and present, and their families, of the two univer-sities involved, who not only care very much which side wins,

The unfortunate and reported

facts in the England rugby union camp demonstrate that two leams lurn out whenever an

international match takes place

team one, the forwards, team

two, the backs. Team one appears to have little or no

interest in the fortunes of team two, and it seems to come down to misguided training methods

and separation of the sub-teams

in thinking, attitude and train-ing sessions themselves.

Chris Oti may not need to

earn money playing rugby, but if he could combine his academic

the respect of all those watching or viewing, and is bound to delight at least 50 per cent of them — rather more than are ever happy with a democrati-cally elected government in this The appalling apathy, expressed by Shirley Lowe, thus not only chips away at the sporting spirit of the occasion, by undermining this heartening event itself, but also surely infuriates the Oxbridge undergraduates still taking *The Times*, by chipping away at their sporting spirit for so doing.

Yours faithfully, Dominic Armstrong, Magdalene College, Cambridge March 29,

targets and husiness career with playing for Wigan, St Helens or another rugby league team, he would score tries in abundance, critical in more and enjoy it more and he would provide pleasure for his supporters every week and not just when his union forwards ondescend to release the ball. Yours sincerely,

D. S. Cooke, Hollyoaks Cottage, Beech Way, Wheathampstead,

A fine move by Queensland

undoubted skills.

The increasingly predominant "win at any price" policy, so Ohvious in most spectator sports nowadays, seems to have given gifted players and competitors a mandate to behave any way they please, either on or off Perhaps a few more of these

old-fashioned Queensland style

In the driving seat From Mr M. Gatchouse

Sir, Well done, the Queensland Cricket Association. It is not before time that some body somewhere in the world of sport has taken a lead to remain in the driving scat of their association. Poor leadership, weak management and financial greed have led sports followers all over the world to suffer the most unsavoury and disgraceful scenes in almost every popular type of indoor and outdoor

Northumberland, TDI5 ILX.

The last 10 years have re-vealed a growing tendency to-wards violence which has but also, and more importantly, Reflection of life care passionately that this great annual sporting event continues From Mr A Graham

in the same spirit in which it Sir. Can you tell me why Ian Botham is allowed to perform in his chosen sport at international level while Zola Budd is barred Caring not so much that one particular side wins, but that for from hers? the 134th time the best side wins, which will earn that side One is loud-mouthed, self-

publicizing and intemperate: the other is quiet, self-effacing and If sport is the issue in ooc case

The Oval appeal From Mr Keith Jenkin

From Mr Keith Jenkin

Sir. Fifty years ago this summer
I set out with my father to see
Sussex play at Eastbourne. To
my surprise we actually arrived
at the Oval where I was privileged to see part of Hutton's
record Test innings against the
Australians. I have eine film of
myselfin front of the scoreboard
showing his not out every 100. showing his not out score of 300. How appropriate it would be if Sir Leonard could be per-suaded to give his name to an appeal on behalf of the club and

months, during which time we have been working very much against the clock. Work was carried out throughout the night preceding the March 12 England v Brazil schoolboys' soccer

From Mrs S. Christ Sir. Copgratulations to the Queensland Cricket Club committee for their swift decision to dispense with Mr. Botham's services and to remove his influence from their game troubles in the terraces and services are services and services and services and services and services and services are services and services and services are services and services and services are services and services and services

Hooligan behaviour inevit- z ably attracts hooligans. And there is no better way to leach. whether for good or ill, than by example. Yours sincerely.

S. Christl. 4/30. Thurso Close.

Tilehurst, Reading. March 31.

encompassed just about every thing from the thumping of a boxing referee to a head-butting episode during a snooker tour nament, Cricket, football, rugby and tennis incidents are too numerous and too well known to mention. No sportsman should ever be allowed to undermine the game he repre-sents. The QCA in dismissing their biggest financial draw, have set an example which other sports' officials would do well to

M Gatehouse. Barn Cottage. Shefford Woodlands. Newbury, Berkshire. March 30.

and politics in the other, then it says very little for either sport or politics. Is there really any justice in this or is it simply a reflection of the age in which we hive? I only ask because I would -Alastair Graham,

9. Granville Road Eastbourne.

Flat 4.

March 30

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to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of his great innings. The Ovat may not be the most attractive ground in the world, but from an aeroplane flying into Heathrow recently it stood out in the sunlight like an oasis in the desert and n reminder to all cricket lovers that its future should be ensured by supporting a successful appeal.
Yours faithfully. Keith Jenkin. 88 Mount Pleasant Lanc-Bricket Wood. AL2 3XD.

Against the clock From the Chief Executive of Wembley Stadium Ltd
Sir, I refer to the correspondence in your letters' column (March. 24) from Mr Roy Bland under the heading "Disgrace of Wembley". It is to my great regret that Mr Bland saw fit to put pen the pen metal a velocoment. to paper m such a vehement manner.

Wembley Stadium has undergone an enormous improve-ment programme in recent match in order for everything to be in presentable shape.

The new board of directors have been in control for only approximately two years, and have spent nearly £1 million per month during that time up-grading the facilities in the enure complex. We are continu-ously striving to improve all? aspects of the Wembley complex ... this of course takes

I am sure Mr Bland will have no cause for complaint on his next visit to Wembley Stadium. Yours sincerely, Yours sincerely, David Griffiths, Chief Executive. Wembley Stadium Ltd. March 25.

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Course

# The West Awake to give weight By Mandarin (Michael Philips) Following his eight-length success in the Sun Alliance Chase at Cheltenham. The West Awake is napped to concede weight all round in the Champagne Mumm Club Chase at Liverpool today. Having won at the Festival The West Awake to give weight all was 13 their peril because he has still the gallops at home had been wintually waterlogged. With Private Views subsequently winning the Chief and over fences, my nap has been in equally commanding form. In going for Contradeal to win the Chivas Regal Cup the Chivas Re



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FORM BILON BLUES (11-9) at best when 1542 and to Over The Counter (11-1) at legition (2m listed, 5328, good to soft, Feb 27, 14 ran) with FARAWAY LAD (11-1) 2 mays in 3rd and GENERALLY RIGHT (11-1) a further 154 away in 5th

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Having gone for The West Awake to beat Tonights The Night, among others, at Cheltenham. I can see no

reason to change my tune oow, especially as the latter fell heavily there. While conceding that Dad's Gamble, Delius and Loddon

Lad will all relish the better ground which Liverpool promises, it is only right to point out that The West Awake also has some really commendable performances to his credit on good going. Il is also pertinent to add Awake was not considered to that the recent Newbury win-

3.45 Fair Child. 4.20 THE WEST AWAKE (nap).

ASSACE AWI (11-10) best Free Trevel (10-3) a neck at Worcester (2m 2t, £1760, good to firm, Mar 2, 24

Panj.
ASATHIST (10-8) best judged on a 101 defeat of Snowfire Chap (10-5) at Nottingham (2m 5f, 52786, heavy, Feb 15, 13 ran).
MY DOMINION (10-10) best effort a 21 defeat of it's A Pry (10-1) at Kempton (2m 4f, 53282, good, Dec 28, 10 ran) with AGATHIST (10-3) 231 5th.
Selection 187 DOMINION

RYDE AGAIN (11-5) ran up to his best latest start when 3½3 3rd to Rymster [11-5] at Chepstow (2m, itst. £11543, good to soft. Mar 12, 12 ran) with I LIKE IT ALOT (11-5) unseated rider at first.

JINDRY JACK (11-0) made impressive hurdling deb beating Doonas Dering (11-4) 201 at Certisle (2m 110yd, £1808, good to soft, Mar 11, 5 ran).

SEA ISLAND (11-1) beat Blacket Flun (11-12) 8 at Chepstow last Monday (2m, £1485, good to soft,

4.50 Comeragh King.

LIVERPOOL

Selections

By Mandarin

By Michael Seely

2.00 BROWN WINDSOR (nap). 3.45 Fair Child. 4.20 Tonights The Night.

Guide to our in-line racecard

Racecard number. Draw in brackets, Sb-figure distance winner. Br beaten tavourite in interest in the second number. Draw in brackets, Sb-figure distance winner. Br beaten tavourite in interest race). Going on which horse has won (F = Imm, good to Imm, hard. G = good. O - disqualified). Horse's name. Days since test outling. J if jumps, F if fat. (B = binkars, V = visor, H = hood. E = Eyeshield. C = course and winner. O = distance winner. CD = course and winner. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

BETTING: 5-1 Assantand, 11-2 Carnival Air, 8-1 Agethiet, 7-1 Bluff Cove, Rapier Thrust, 6-1 Marsh King, Steme, 10-1 Brown Windson, Mister Boot, 12-1 Fingest, 14-1 others.

: 1967; (2m 5f 110yd) MANDAVI 6-10-4 M Bowby (12-1) H Henderson 20 ren

FORM BLUFF COVE (10-5) best judged on a literia to the first 9.

Newbary (3m 120yd, E3015, good, Mar 4, 21 ran) with WELGENCO (11-10) out of the first 9.

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2.35 CHIVAS REGAL CUP CHASE (Feature race: £16,040; 3m 1f BBC 2

1987: WAYWARD LAD 12-11-5 O McCourt (7-1) Mrs M Dickinson 6 ran

FORM BEAU RANGER (12-0) 161 Srd to Orchid(11-11) 19;1at Wincanston (3m 1f, E7572, good to soft, Mar 17, 3 ran).

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DESERT ORCHED (12-0) SI ORCHID (12-0) SI ORCHID (12-0) in a below-par 7th.

CONTRADEAL (10-12), on penultimate start 51 2nd to Playschool (10-8) at Newtoury (3m 2f 82yd hear, 229488, good, Nov 28, 12 ran) with KILDING (11-5) SN 4th.

WEATHER THE STORM (12-0) serier best Bobsline (12-0) for all Leopardstown (2m 4f, 230,800, soft, Dec 29, 6 ran).

ection: XILDIMO

2.0 ODDBINS HANDICAP HURDLE (\$7,002: 3m 1f) (16 runners)

battle in a bog at Cheltenham, Contradeal was snug and warm in his box, conserving his energy.

like the going.

finished a long way behind Beau Ranger in the Cheltenon a fresh horse who will also ham Gold Cup. While Weather The Storm, Beau Ranger, Desert Orchid and Kildimo were all doing

Beau Ranger, who won the corresponding race two years ago, seems guaranteed to make the running along with Desert Orchid. Together they should set the sort of gallop guaranteed to bring Contradeal's stamina into full

Camival Air, who was withdrawn at Ascot yesterday because he was found to be Liverpool with a poultice on his foot. If he is sound again to Villierstown.

Cheltenham.

Biloxi Blues, Carnival Air's travelling companion from Kim Bailey's East Ilsley yard. should run better in the Seagram 100 Pipers Top Novices' Hurdle than he did at Cheltenham now that the ground is better. But I just prefer Jinxy Jack, who changed hands for 100,000 guineas at Doncaster in

November. In the Glenlivet Trophy Chase, the only race run today lame, has been dispatched to over the Grand National fences, Fair Child is preferred

. A Orkney

..... R Supple (4)

# Elsworth exuding confidence over

Michael Stoute: still looking for first 1,000 Guineas win

### Dabawevaa shines in Newmarket gallop

By Michael Seely Dahaweyaa, Michael Stoute's dark horse as he attempts to break his remarkable run of illfortune io the 1,000 Guineas, is only 2 10-1 chance for the cla after impressing work-watchers in a gallop with Lustre and Haiati at Newmarket yesterday

morning. "She'll go for the Geoffrey Barling Maiden Stakes on the Tuesday of the Craven meeting," said the trainer yesterday.
"Lustre will run in either the Nell Gwyn Stakes at the same meeting or the Fred Darling at

Newbury at the weekend."

Of Stonte's possible candidates for the 2,000 Guineas, the Aga Khan's Dovonn, an impressive winner of his only start at Newmarket last autumn. has been earmarked for a tilt against Warning and Sanquirico in the Craven Stakes.

Always Fair, who disappointed in the Royal Lodge Stakes after finishing runner-up to Warning at Doncaster, will take on Tibulio and Zelphi in the Greenham Stakes at Nawhare.

Newbury. Tea No Trumps, the horse partnered to victory by the Princess Royal oo Diamond Day at Ascot last summer, will have his first outing of the campaign in the Earl of Seftoo Stakes at Newmarket. Lake Erie, the runaway winner of last autumn's St Simon Stakes at Newbury, returns to the Berkshire course for the Joha Porter Stakes. Stoute's other intended New-

parket runners include Crossed Swords in the Wood Ditton Stakes. However, the Alydan colt will face stern opposition from Alquoz, John Duniop's much heralded and unraced colt by Caerleon, who was reported to be working better than the Royal Lodge Stakes third, Alwabash, at Arandel last antomn,

confidence over Rhyme 'N' Reason By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

On the eve of the three-day and that should be good enough. Aintree Festival Grand Nationa) meeting, fever is racing through the veins of the trainers of the principal bopes in the 150th running of the world's most famous steeplechase, which takes place at Liverpool

on Saturday. Yesterday 20-one was more supercharged with adrenalia than the already ebullient David Elsworth, the handler of Rhyme N Reason, the horse whose chances of Cheltenham Gold Cup glory were shattered when he fell at the fourth feoce from home last month.

As the wioner of the Irish Grand Nacional in 1985 and four races this season, Rhyme 'N' Reason comes to his greatest test with impressive credeotials. "I am very nervous," said Elsworth. "I've no doubt that if he negotiates the obstacles he will win. And that's got to be exciting.

"Not many people noticed how well he was going in the Gold Cup as Forgive'N Forget broke his leg at the same fence. He got over his struggling hit and was just starting to warm

For those fancying Lean Ar Aghaidh, the 8-1 favourite, whose spectacular jumping thrilled millions last year before finishing third to Maori Venture. Stan Mellor gives every encouragement

"He's much better now than

I am very picased. Guy Landau showed he was fit when schooling over hundles this morning." The Tsarevich, runner-up last

year, now meets Lean Ar Aghaidh on 9)h better terms. "He's absolutely flying " said Charlie Mor(pck, Nicky Henderson's assistaal

Hopes continue to grow that Richard Dunwoody and West Tip, fourth in 1987, can repeat their (986 triumph, "He's always been a spring horse," said Michael Oliver. "But this time he's really come in his coat and he's much better thao he was (ası year. I am quietly confident."

As a winner of the REA Bott Foxhunters race over the National fences, Burg will tackle the race with similiar credentials to Gritar, the 1982 winner. "He's very well and I'm hopeful," said James Delahooke.

Sacred Path and Bucko, like Rhyme 'N' Reason, are strongly fancied contenders without pre-vious experience of Aiotree. "If Sacred Path's still there on the second ciruit, he'll be bang there at the finish," said Oliver

Jimmy Fitzgerald had this to say about Bucko, who finished second to Aquilifer at Chelten-ham: "You've got to fancy Lean Ar Aghaidh and Rhyme 'N' Reason, But after them. I'd be giving my fellow a squeak. He's come to his best, he's a clever when finishing second to jumper and arches his back, so Rhyme 'N' Reason at Kempton he's the right type for the race."

### Gaye Brief recaptures his sparkle for Browne

Gaye Brief gained his first success for two years when beating Pragada by two leogths in the Keith Prowse Long Distance Hurdle at Ascol yesierday. Dermot Browne, badly

winded at Hereford on Monday. was only passed fit by the course doctor before racing, but with the former champion hurdler returning to something approaching bis best. Browne did not have a difficult ride. "He was always cantering and quickened up really well when I

asked him," Browne said. "He loved the ground and gained at every jump."

John McConnochie, assistant to winning trainer Mercy Rimell, said; "He has been firing

on all cylinders since Cheltenham and I'm delighted for Dermot, who has ridden him all season and never hit him once." Richard Rowe took his seasonal tally to 50 when Saffron Lord sprinted clear to land the

Golden Eagle Novices' Chase by 2½ lengths from Majestic Buck. Josh Gifford, who now needs just three winners to reach the (.000 mark, said: "I shouldn't have run him at Chellenham because it poured down and he hated the ground,"

Kissane jumped well but had no answer to Saffron Lord's ourst of speed from two out, John Edwards said: "It didn't suit Kissane being in front. He won't run agaia this season."

### Results from four meetings

#### Ascot

Going: good Goong: good

2.0 (2m 41 hdie) 1, PRIME DATS (S Smith Eccles, 9-4 lav, Mendantn's nap); 2, Sir's At The Girl (R Rowe, 5-1); 3, Under Offer IM Richards, 33-11. ALSO RAN: 11-2 Loch Blue (5th), 6 Westway, 12 Feet Commander, 15 Another Schedule (4th), Chathy Felow (pu), 20 Mestie Mustard, 25 Golden Fox, Iron Billy, 33 Private-performance, Hamsdell (pu), 50 Edozoen, Too Late (f), William Anthony, Last House (8th), 17 ran. HR: Kip Chuggy, 61, 11, 21, 114, 68, N. Henderson at Lambourth. Tote; 23-20; 21,50, 21,80, 216-20, OF: 26.40, CSF: 213.44.

2.50 (2m of ch) 1. SAFFRON LORD (R Rowe, 2-1); 2. Majestic Buck (R Beggan, 9-2; 3, Kiesane (T Morgan, 5-6 fav). 3 ran. 2½, 12; J Gifford at Findon. Tote: £2.90. 0F: £3.10. CSF: £7.41.

3.0 (3m hdle) 1, GAYE BRIEF (D Browne, 14-1); 2, Pragada (R Rows, 13-8 fav); 3, Ruby Flight (P Scudemore, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 Ms Nero (4th), 9 Green Steps (pu), 10 Bonanza Boy (5th), 8 ren. NR: Carnival Ar. 2, 151, 81, 301, Miss M Remell at Sevem Stoke, Tote: £13.10; £3.30, £1.60, DF: £11.90, CSF: £34.52.

3.35 (2m 4l ch) 1. DURNORK (M Ruchards, 8-1); 2. Welsh Osk (S Smith Eccles, 9-2); 3. Foyle Fisherman (R Rowe, 7-2); ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Far Bridge (6th), 7-2 Malya Mai (5th), 10 Mr Moonraker (4th); 5 ran. NR: Von Trappe. 10, 61, 12, 59, 25; M Francis et Lembourn. Tote: £7.00; £2.60, £2.20, DP; £17.80, CSF: £36.57.

4.5 (3m ch) 1, SPRINGWOOD (Mr S Andrews, 5-4): 2, Fredwel (Miss T McCabo, 11-10 lay: 3, Polar Express thr P Verling, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 14 Hopeful Sant (pu), 4 ran, 2%I, dist. G Hamgan at Turvey, Tote: £2.00. 0F: £2.00. CSF: £2.83.

4.60 (2m hdie) 1, CONVINCED (P Scudamore, 11-2): 2. Releikto IS Shulston, 4-1): 3. Jimmy Lorenzo (I Shoemark, 2-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 4 Cashew King, Rampallion (4th). 25 Keynes, Prasma Mata (5th), 33 Home County (6th), 3 rasma Ki, 4, 64, 41, 41 M Pice, Wellington, Tote: 25.00; 21:60, 22:10, E1:30. DF: E18:10. CSF: 226.82. Throast: 253.77. Jackpot: not won (Pool of E57.277.10 centred forward to Liverpool today) Placepor: £388.70

Catterick Bridge

Going: good Going: good

2.15(5): 1. SKY ROVALE (J Carroll, 6-1):
2. Elder Prince (M Birch, 5-1): 3. Ministing
(C Coates, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 lav
Known Lady, 6 Emsleys Choice, 3.
Crowthers (5th), 12 New Stan, Seaton
Sparnte, Wil And Wisdom, 14 Earth
Dragon, Jeve Music, Sky Hill, 20 Tawmy
(4th), 25 Stapehall (8th), Pyromania, 15 ran.
7t, rik, 27, 31, sh rid, J Berry at Cockertem.
Tote: £6.90: £2.20, £1.80, £4.10. 0F:
£15 80, CSF: £37.77.

£15 BU, CSF: £37.77.

245 (5f) 1, NORTHERN RAIN (G Bardweii, 18-11; 2, Holsser (R Guest, 5-4 ji fav); 3, Lockhart (5 Webster, 18-1). ALSO RAIK Bescaby Boy (8th), 10 Tina'e Grit (5th), 14 Repudans, 16 Pound Green, 20 Last Souvenir (4th), 8 ran, nk, 11, 1n, kl, 3.

C Allen et Newmantet. Tote: £11.10; 52.80, £110, £2 B0, £75.62. £55. CSF: £159.£7. Withdrawn: Sam's Choice. Rule 4 applies, deduct 40p in £.

**Outsiders** out

of first classic

Andaleeb, Fairy Gold and Harmless Albatross, all 33-0

chances for the 1,000 Guineas at

Newmarker in three weeks' time, were among 34 horses wilhdrawn at yesterday's acceptance stage. The 57 who stood their ground include all the leading ante-post fancies.

were 35 acceptors.

3.15 (6f) 1, GODS SOLUTION (D Nicholis, 9-4 fav); 2, Olympic Challenger (J Carroll, 10-1); 3, Storm Ruther (L Chamock, 10-1), ALSO RAN; 7-2 Eastbrook (5th), 7 Spitrabit, 14 Mandrake, Madam, 16 Dancing Belle, Knocksharry, Mansbel (6th), The Devir's Mussic, 20 James Owl (4th), Jump To It, Stumbla, 13 ran, 6l, sh Ind, %l, 11, 2%l, TO Barron et Thirsk, Tote; £3.50; £1.80, £2.50, £4.20, 0f; £7.20, CSF; £25.46, Tricast £173.94.

oF: 227.20, CSF: 225.46, Tricast: 177.39.
345 (7) 1. COLDWATER CANYON IS
Whitworth, 12-1; 2. Meeded (D Nichols,
20-1); 3. Crown Justice (R Cochräne, 7-1).
ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Roker Roter (Sth), 5
Mubdi (4th), Sugar Token, 8 On So Lucky,
9 Mamma Says No, 10 Sauce of the Sea,
12 The White Lon, 14 Silver's Gril (6th), 33
Petagran Zest, Dancing Desire, Flotent,
14 ran, 8th Jd., 191, 191, 191, 191, 223.10,
22.50, 0F: \$488.40, CSF: £215.51, Bought
in 2,100gns.

4.15 Jin, 51, 18th/dl. 1, EUROCON (D

A.15 (1m. 5l. 180yd) 1, EUROCON (D. Nicholis, 5-2 fav); 2, Mrs Chris, (A. Gulhane, 15-2); 3, Ribo Melody (A. Mackay, 6-1); ALSO RAN: 5 Surez Mo, 8, Jose Smith (4th), 8 Limmer (6th), 10 Senor Ramos, 12 Abc Superster (5th), 20 Sister of Peace, 25 Manna Plata, 10 ran, 2 J., 2 J., 2 J., 4, 2 J. T. D. Barron at Thersk, Toke, 23.50; 21.60, 21.60, 23.30, DF: £17.40, CSF: £21.60, Tripast, £89.63.

4.45 (1m 4140yd) 1, FENOON (T lives, 2-1 favi; 2, Bey Willow (M Hits, 9-4); 3, Wahshiya (R Hills, 3-1), ALSO RAN: 7 Dabble (6th), 9 Forbes Spint (4th), 20 Eva Faro (5th), 6 ran, NR: Whisky Trail, 101, 21, 101, 41, dist. I Balding at Knipsciere, Tote: £2.90; £1.80, £1.40. DF: £2.60. CSF: 55.84

5.94.
5.15 (7) 1. JOVEWORTH (S Williams, 12-1); 2. O I Oyston (O Hagger, 5-1); 3. Discover Gold (L Riggio, 50-1); 4. Reavenly Hoofer (P Carr, 20-1); ALSO RAN; 11. 4 Lav Light The Way, 10 Heavenly Carol, Miss Daisy, 12 Golden Beau (5th), Thetkian, Thirnenthin Friday, 16 Breakfast in Bed, Next Dance, Ritz's Pearl, 20 Bay Bazaar, Dancing Tom (6th), Onont Grey, Gun Hapoy, 25 Jane's Brave Boy, 33 Owi's Way, 50 Armstage, 20 ren, 14); sh hd, 11, hd, J Glover et Worksop, Tote: £35.70; £5.10, £1.70, £10.30, £9.30, DF; £58.00, CSF; £74.55, Tincast; £2.757.94.

4,200gns. Placepot: \$140.80 Worcester Going: good to firm

230 (2m ch) 1, Prize Asset |S Earle, 25-1); 2, Pulka Major (7-2); 3, Partischnicon (9-4 jr law), Harfey Street Man 9-4 jr fav. 7 Ian. 15: 3i. Tote: £17.00; £4.30. £2.20. DF; £33.20. CSF: £100.67.

3.0 (2m hdle) 1. Tremar Lad (R Dunwoody, 9-2); 2. Millord Outry (4-1); 3. Petri Pain (14-1). Smrthy Bear Evens tav.

Train, J Jenkins, Tota E3 10, E1,10, E1,80, £2,30, DF; £8,00, CSF; £20,59, Theast £200,59. 3.30 (3m ch) 1 Deep Prospect (M Sheppard, 7-2 (av), 2, Sweet Rascat (7-1); 3. The Grey Gunner (5-1) Nk: 11, 12 ran, NR: Heshould, Spartan Lover, Mrs M Rmeit, Tote: £4.90; £1.50, £3.10, £2.40, DF: £16.50, CSA: £26.78.

4.0 (2m 4( hdle) 1, Single Woman (S Cowkey, 11-2 ji (av); 2, Malicho (6-1); 3, Arctic Cavalier (6-1), Sum Insuréd 11-2 ji fav. 19 ran NH: Deadline, Mawdyn Gare,

Penygroes. Primpers Male, Tudor Jus-toe, Khataf, 1½, 2J. A J Wilson, Tote: E3.70; E2.80, E2.10, E2.30, OF: £40.00. CSF: £37.08. 4.30 (2m 41 ch) 1. Pommerdy (M Bosley,

13-2; 2 Maranzi (5-1); 3, Goldon Deticous (7-4); 11 ran, NR: Autumn Zulu, 11, 19). Mrs. J. Chadwick, Totel: £5.50; £1.70, £2.10, £1.30, DF: £35.20, CSF; £57.51, Tricast: £131.43.

10-14-5.
5.0 (2m Flat) 1. Alaout (Jacqua Oliver. 10-1); 2. Swangung Molly (7-1); 3. Myspe Palace (10-1), 1vor 2-1 fav 22 ran. NR: Mount Erebus. Lutle Brag. File Concord, New Marker, Nk, 2. Mrs S Oliver, Tole: £14-90; £3-80, £2-70, £3-30. OF: £71-90. CSF: £86-00.

Kelso

#### Golng: good

2.15 (2m hdle) 1, Lottles Fury (C Gram, 3-1), 2, Border Loch (20-1); 3, Market 5pith (33-1) Salachy 4-6 lav. 13 ran, 10, 14, WA Stepnenson, Tote: 2,390; £1.30, £4.80, £7.20, DF: £83 50, CSF: £54.43. \*2.45 (2m 8l ch) 1, High Edge Grey (T Reed, 13-8 fav); 2, Dantes Tree (8-1); 3, Cellic Fort (16-1), 12 ran, 121, 121 K Dirver. Totts: £2.40, £1.60, £2.80, £3.80, £7: £8 70, £5F. £15.11.

3.15 (2m 6l hdie) 1, Fartor (J Kmane, 11-2); 2, Warwick Sulte (20-1), 3, 6urri Walk (9-11 Young Warriot 9-4 lav. 11 ran. 5l. nk. P Monterth, Tote: £6.40; £1.50, £7.00; £2.30, DF: £76.30, CSF: £89.92, Tricast £875.36.

Tricast E375.36.

3.45 (3m ch) 1, Secret Brae (Mr G Robarson, 5-6 lav), 2, Waren Brig (9-4), 3, Tarriosaga (6-1) 8 ran 5/. 201 H Barclav. Totle: £2.10; £1.50, £1.20, £1.10 OF: £2.20 CSF £3.17

4.15 (2m hdle) 1, Draw The Line (M Hammond, 16-1); 2, Summer 5top [5-1), 3, Eastern Cases (10-1); 4, Tepylon (15-2); Altar Point 5-2 (av 17 ran. 3), 15, B Richmond, Tore: £35, 40; £6, 10, £1, 90, £3, 00, £2, 60, 67; £132, 00, CSF; £103, 00, Theast: £804, 73.

4.45 (2m 198yd ch) 1. Trafalçar Blue (M Hemmond, 5-2), 2. Impage (5-1), 3, Centre Attraction (3-1). Tiomeros 2-1 lav. 5 ran. 1% (28). R Scholey Tore; £3.90, £1.10, £3.30, DF £9.10, CSF: £13.12. 5.15 (2m 61 ch) 1, Bobby Sums (M Hammond, 10-11 lav); 2, Pyjamas (4-1); 3, Oh Why 125-1), 12 lan, 19, 51, Mrs M Dickinson, Tota, 22.30, 21.70, 21.30, 23.00 DF 25.80 CSF; 25.39, Placepot: £396.50

Michael Hammond followed Tuesday's Sedgefield treble with another at Kelso vesterday on Draw The Line, Trafaigar Blue

# Point-to-point results Me (Miss L Crow), Only 2 finished, Adj. 1, Double Decision (Mis S Glichinst), 2, Brynglas (J Groucott); 3, Camborne Hall (W Bartow); 0 pen: 1, Carhenne Tudoi (J Glichinst); 2, Oakley House (W Bartow); 3, Cute Ryrme (S Dictum), Ladies: 1, Skewsby (Miss K Dickin); 2, Royal Mere (Miss C Tellwingtht; 3, Spain Again (Miss M Lakim) Reast 1, Classic Page (S Crank), 2, Parner's Gold (C Bartow); 3, Archy Sparkier (T Garton), Midn & 1, Mickley Secretiove (S Stockshaw); 2, Eastern Cham (C Stocksnay); 2, Eastern Cham (C Stocksnay); 2, Eastern Cham (C Stocksnay); 3, Parkside Lad (J Glichifst); 2, Extrude (J Cambridge), 3, Fanstown (A Marklew), PYTCHLEY: Murit 1, Lolly's Patch (C

CROOME AND W WARWICKS: Hunt 1.
Rose Lawn (Miss 0 Key); 2, Caringlord
Lough (P Britten); 3, St Alezan (5 Foster).
Rest: 1, Low Homes (S Grundy); 2, Tangle
Trial (G Hanmer); 3, Green Secret (A
Walter), Ladles: 1, Velvets Promise (Mrs R
Vickery); 2, Brown Peril (Miss A Lewis); 3,
Fooksh Heru (Miss L Fellows); Open: 1,
Karannsu (J Llewallyn); 2, Touch Of Fun (†
Houtbrooke); 3, Dingbat (S Grundy); Adj;
1, Bet Deal (M Shappard); 2, Aurial (A
Ulyel); 3, Dewspry Boy (J Pritchard), Mén
1; 1, Master Eryl (M Sheppard); 2, Busski
(J Edwards); 3, Dark Acte (J Warner), Midn
It: 1, Cherrytown (H Wheeler); 2,
Ladywood (T Rogers); 3, Scaldwell (G
Hanmer).

Hanmer).

DUMPRIESSHTRE: Humt: 1, Niel's Crystal IR Anderson); 2, Come Lad (W Marmilan); 3, Crocket Lass (G Robinson). Adj: 1, Kirmango (C Kennedyl, 2, Milton Brig (W Hodge); 3, Leander Blue (J Douglas). Ladles: 1, Bantel Bowman (Mrs. C McClymont); 2, Starry Brig (Miss M Macmilian); 3, Ceia (Mrs. A Robinson). Open: 1, Cheene Chief (G Robinson); 2, Dusty Islas (J Brossoch). Only 2 ran. Rest: 1, Birling Jack (A Dudgeon): 2, Jelupe (R Sandys-Ctarke), 3, Sweet Henry (Miss G Patterson). Mate: 1, Geordee Brig (T Scott); 2, Caton Boy (Miss T Niven); 3, Marcus Auderbus (A Dudgeon).

HIGH PEAK: Adj: 1, Thats Great Annway.

icaclog ante-post fancies.
WITHDRAWALS: Action Francaise,
Andeleeb, Babita, Blue Danzig, Compton
Lady, Farry Gold, Fanerful, Flutter Away,
Gazayil, Hatmiless Albaitross, Hickory
Crest, Indubitable, Kilmera, Luaison, Line
Call, Minstrel's Lessie, Miramsa, Mystary
Rays, Nar, Narijs, Norland, North
Haneena, Nouvelle Lune, Pretty Ledy,
Proposal, Pumpora, Raiwand, Red Gutars, Salent Sester, Storm Weaver, Vive,
Welsh Charm, William's Bird, Yalciyna. Whitbread Gold Cup withdrawals Cheltenham Gold Cup runner-up Cavvies Clown headed the 16 withdrawals at yesterday's acceptance stage for the Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown on April 23. There

Marcus Audacous (A Dudgeon).
HIGH PEAIC, Adj: 1. Thats Great Anyway (S Crank); 2. Bright Sherrif (J Corraval); 3. Mandoso (M Cope). Ladies: 1. Sparbcone (Mss S Baxter); 2. Smare Hill (Mns C Tethuright). Only 2 finished. Open: 1. Saddle Lake (S Edwards); 2. Insh Road (S Crank); 3. Sweet Paddy (C Stockton). PPOA: 1. ( Was Right (C Stockton). PPOA: 1. ( Was Right (C Sadby); 2. Jadelet (A Roberts); 3. Prize Nole (M Williamson). Midt. 1. Parkside Lad (S Crank); 2. Song Bird (Mrs C Forbes); 3. Pris Surpnse (B A Hill).

NORTH SHROPSHIRE: Hurt: 1, King's Award (Miss J Swinnerton): 2. Sandmental

Fanstown (A Maridew).

PYTCHLEY: Hunt: 1, Lofly's Parch (C, Maml: 2, Altaghaderry Rose; lairs J Sannders); 3 Fury Manor (G Tarry) Adjr 1.

White Paper (Mrs T Elwell), 2, Okarso (A Sansome), 3 Pep Talk IS Brisby). Ladies: 1. Glackadder Bing (Mrs J Crawford), 2, Kamadee (Mrs H Vergette); 3, Root Stal (Mrs J Draper), Open: 1, Just Once (R Heyman); 2, Health N Happiness (G Cooper), 3, Lisadorm (M Licas), Rost 1, Leteseal IJ Sharp); 2, Liftlegood Hastener (J Princhard); 3, Hand Signal (T Inslery, Midn E 1, True Moss IJ Ballev); 2, Gillian's Pat (Mrs J Burlon), 3, Double Bell (R Mumford) Midn (E 1, True Tip (M Arthers); 2, Stockman (S R Andrews); 3† Finkin (T Illsley); 3† Weddong Song (A His).

OLD BERICS (corrected Lesuits): Ledies: illstey); 3† Wedong Song (A hill).

OLD BERKS (corrected results): Ledles:
1, Petre Minage (Mrs J Gauth, 2, Camerata
(Muss T Cane), 3, Tinahue Angel (Muss P Baker), Midm It 1. Cotswold Pearl (P Howse); 2, Moor Scope (N Bush); 3, Walkers Lodge (A Hill), Rest: 1, Border Sun (S Sweeing); 2, Mischevous Monk (M Felton); 3, Albero (J Portman).

Blinkered first time BRIGHTON: 2.45 Fiery Sunset; 3.20 Another Lucas, African Opera.

### 5th. BiLOXI BILIES (11-5) subsequently below form when pulled up behind Vagador (11-5) at Cheltenham com, 228597, sort. Mar 15, 26 ran), in that race GODS FOX (11-6) finished 381 7th with DEEP TREASURE (11-5) 8th, GENERALLY RIGHT (11-5) 9th and Halls PAGEANT (11-5) out of first 9. BRIGHTON

Selections By Our Newmarket Correspondent By Mandarin

2,15 WITHOUT PREJUDICE (nap). 2.15 Silver Fling. 2.45 Slippery Max. 2.45 Tiquegrean. 3.20 September Snap. 3.20 Gypsy's Barn Rat.

| ) :                              | 3.55 Raise Yoursell.<br>4.30 Malamain.<br>5.00 The Oil Baron. | 4.30 Straight Through, 5.00 Quiet Bay.                                                       |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Th                               | e Times Private Hands                                         | capper's top rating: 2.15 SILVER FLING.                                                      |
| Going: f                         | īm                                                            | Draw: 5f-6f low numbers bes                                                                  |
|                                  |                                                               | RACE (3-Y-O: 52,047: 61) (10 runners) 283 (G) (A Pudott) R J Williams 9-7                    |
| 1. (S)<br>2. (7)<br>3. (5)       | 021- SILVER FLING 189 (G<br>0- CHUMNIY'S CHARM 2              | ) (G Strawondge) I Balong 9-9 34 (C Geventa) G Lewis 9-0 S Rouse S Rouse                     |
| 3 (5)<br>4 (1)<br>7 (3)<br>8 (5) | 000- MHMAZ 192 (H ALMI<br>00- SEVRINO 239 (Introgr            | Dup Holdings Ltd) N Vigors 9-0                                                               |
| 11 (4)<br>12 (10)<br>13 (2)      | .06- DAINSBURY 182 (R W                                       | ebber) R Smyth 0-11                                                                          |
| 14 (6)<br>BETTENG                | 2. 7.4 Silver Flog. 2-1 Withou                                | R Gantoniades R Hoed 8-11 R Street  Antoniades R Hoed 8-11 13-2 Durative, 10-1 Dainsbury, 14 |
| Others                           |                                                               | 70U 9-0 T Quinn (4-1) P Cole 11 ran                                                          |
|                                  |                                                               | TAKES (£1,538: 1m 2f) (22 runners)                                                           |
| 4 (14)                           | 00300- MARMAN 195 (D,F,G                                      | (f) M Drittain 300<br>S) (Mrs J McDougald) 1 Selding 9-9-3 F Arrowshith (5)                  |

3 (19) 02210/0 LANCE 12 (F,5) (J Blott) M Britain 5-9-3
4 (14) 000300- MALLMAN 195 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs J McDougald) I Bading 9-9-3 ... F Arrowscalin (5) 7
5 (8) 0001017 MOUNT TURKELEDOWN 26J (D,F,G) (Mrs J Codins) R Hanson 7-9-3 ... M Doyle (5) 11 (4) 300403/ LONDON CONTACT 22J (G) (W Williams) W R Williams, 5-8-10 ... Raichel Bridger 12 (12)
14 (18) 03000-3 PERSHING 14 (S) (G Blunder) O L Williams 7-8-10 ... O D'Arcy (5) 6
16 (G) 0/2 BRADINORE'S 90NG 70J (T Brady) M Pipe 4-8-3 ... D Durnachle (5) 17 (11) 94/004-0 CHARLIE MILORD 14 (E Bidn) E Bidn 4-8-3 ... D Durnachle (5) 17 (11) 94/004-0 CHARLIE MILORD 14 (E Bidn) E Bidn 4-8-3 ... D Durnachle (5) 17 (16) LAPIARTE 128J (Mrs B Cobden) R Houges 4-6-3 ... P Banserd 17 (17) 0000/ LIRGI'S 97AR 416J (A Katserle) Miss B Sanders 5-8-3 ... A Monte (6) 97 (17) 0000/ LIRGI'S 97AR 416J (A Katserle) Miss B Sanders 5-8-3 ... A Monte (6) 97 (17) 0000/ LIRGI'S 97AR 416J (A Katserle) Miss B Sanders 5-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Monte (6) 97 (17) 0000/ LIRGI'S 97AR 416J (A Katserle) Miss B Sanders 5-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael OUTCAST (O Waller) N Vigors 4-8-3 ... A Michael Richards (7) 02200- SAY YOU 181 (T Prebbie) P Howing 4-8-3 ... A Michael Richards (7) 02200- SAY YOU 181 (T Prebbie) P Howing 4-8-3 ... A Michael Richards (7) 02200- O Harri John Albert (7) Francome) P Cole 4-8-0 ... A Bosshall (5) 37 (F Cathorome) P Cole 4-8-0 ... D Bentley (5) 38 (3) 00/0000- BROOBET 77 (A Speake) J Bridger 4-8-0 ... O Mentgemeny (5) 84 (11) 100 22004- TIQUEGREAN 190 (Hemonds Stud) J Durlop 4-8-0 ... O Mentgemeny (5) 84 (11) 100 22004- TIQUEGREAN 190 (Hemonds Stud) J Durlop 4-8-0 ... O Mentgemeny (5) 84 (11) 100 22004- TIQUEGREAN 190 (Hemonds Stud) J Durlop 4-8-0 ... O Mentgemeny (6) 84 (11) 100 22004- TIQUEGREAN 190 (Hemonds Stud) J Dur

gel Dornor, 1941 Class S. 1967: (Div 1) MATCH MASTER 8-7-12 M Marshell (33-1) H O'Nell 11 ran (Div 2) LAABAS 4-7-12 G Thomson (6-5 fav) P Cole 12 ran

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TRAINERS
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Rides Per cent 28 21.4 19 21.1 48 20.8 35 20.0 15 20.0 64 17.2

Now his veteran trainer Fulke Walwyn views today's race as the perfect warm-up for another crack at the Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown later this month. Those who fancy that lovely grey, Desert Orchid, do so at

3.45 GLENLIVET TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (£12,533: 2m 6i Grand National course) (19 runners) 407 30P713 VILLERSTOWN 36 (F.Q.S) (P PMer) W A Stephenson 9-11-13...
408 321100 THE DIVIDER 15 (D.Q.S) (Exors of lets J Aldren) Mrs T Celder 10-10-6...
407 3P129-3 NORTH VARD 177 (F.Q.S) (Unity Farm Holdays Ltd) P Hobbs 12-10-3 ...
408 9-1011 WIGGBURN 133 (F.Q.S) (J Busler) Mrs A Newti 6-10-2...
409 1431F1 FAR CHILD 12 (G.S) (Mrs S Bill) T Ball 9-10-0 ...
411 3P303U3 PAN ARCTIC 13 (C.Q.S) (Mrs R Bill) T Ball 9-10-0 ...
412 202200 LEWESDON PRINCE 35 (F.S) (T Frost) P Hobbs 11-10-0 ...
414 410-314 STAMLESTIC 12 (E.Q.S) (Mrs R Bill) T Ball 9-10-0 ...
415 200300 MR GAKER 28 (D.Q.S) (A Barrest) R Whittord (krej 10-10-0 ...
416 200300 MR GAKER 28 (D.Q.S) (A Barrest) R Whittord (krej 10-10-0 ...
417 9-12094 LANDING BOARD 29 (F.Q.S) (Mrs P Harris) P W Harris 10-10-0 ...
418 3P2094 WCOOSSIDE ROAD 37 (F.Q.S) (Mrs N Dutfield) L Cottroll 10-10-0 ...
420 0420-32 BRIGHT MORNING 28 (Q.S) (Ms N Dutfield) L Cottroll 10-10-0 ...
421 030144 CLONROCCHE GAZETTE 15 (S) (A Green) Miss M Bell 6-10-0 ...
422 U404413 KERISUL 2 (D.Q.S) (J Sweets) J Sweets 31-10-0 (Lead) ...
423 121200 VAGUELV ARTISTIC 6 (S.F.S) (G Hubbard) G Hubbard 6-10-0 ...
424 121200 VAGUELV ARTISTIC 6 (S.F.S) (G Hubbard) G Hubbard 6-10-0 ...
425 122332 PEA-COCK-ADE 54 (F.G.S) (Mrs H Knott) K White 12-10-0 ...
426 123332 PEA-COCK-ADE 54 (F.G.S) (Mrs H Knott) K White 12-10-0 ...
427 6P0000 VALLEY JUSTICE 49 (S) (A Carver) C Triotine 6-10-0 ...
428 P2-2420 SCALE THE HERGHTS 30 (P Buckley) K White 9-10-0 ...
429 Long handlonc: Pan Arctic 9-12 Lewesdon Prince 9-11, Starjestic 9-10, Mr Balor 9-10-1 ... O Skyrme (7)

Long handless: Pan Arctic 9-12, Lewesdon Prince 9-11, Starjestic 9-10, Mr Baker 9-5, Landing Boan Woodside Road 9-0. Bright Morning 6-10, Conroche Gazette 6-10, Kersil 6-12 (mc 3ex), Stable Lat Vaguely Artistic 8-6, Meerim, Pee-Cock-Ade 8-3, Valley Justice 8-0, Scale The Heights 7-2. BETTING: 9-2 Fair Child, 6-1 Vitierstown, 13-2 Wiggburn, 7-1 Lewesdon Prince, North Yard, 6-1 The Ider, 9-1 Starjestic, 12-1 Pan Arctic, 14-1 Bright Morning, Mr Beker, 16-1 others. 1987: STRATH LEADER 9-11-10 T Morgan (12-1( J Edwards 15 ran

FORM VILLIERSTOWN (12-4) St 3nd to Comerach King (10-13) at Doncaster (2m 41, 22557, firm. Feb 29, 10 ran).

NORTH YARD (12-1) best judged on a 3l 2nd to Broad Beam (11-8) at Stratford (2m, 22398, good to firm, May 21, 4 ran).

WIGGBURN (11-11) best Coughtens Rum (11-13) 11/14 at Ludlow (2m 41, 22275, soft, Nov 25, 8 ran). FAIR CHILD (10-1) best Ten of Spades (11-5) e length at Newbury (3m, £5335, soft, Mer 26, 5 ran). PAIN ARCTIC (10-11) 8t 3rd to Baluchi (12-0) at

Ludiow (2m, £2135, soft, Nar 25, 9 ran).

STARLESTIC (10-13) best judged on e length detect of Tretalgar Blue (10-3) at Wetherby (2m 50yd, £3002, good, Mar 2, 9 ran).

CLONROCHE GAZETTE (10-1) 18. 4th to Handy Trick (11-8) at Kelso (3m, £2515, soft, Mar 23, 7 ran) with THE DN/DER (11-5) 8 5th. THE DIVIDER (11-6) better judged on a 6l detert of Richards Bay (10-0) at Ayr (2m, £2347, heavy, Feb 13, 4 ran). HOTE NORTH YARD

4.20 CHAMPAGNE MUMM CLUB NOVICES CHASE (Feature race: BBC 2

| I |     | £10,9       | 56: 3m 1f Mildmay course) (13 runners)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| I | 501 | 121211      | THE WEST AWAKE 22 (B.C.S.S) (Mrs C Heath) O Sherwood 7-11-9 S Sherwood 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ł | 504 | 33F11P      | COOL GROUND 21 (BF,S) (Whitcombe Manor Racing Stables) N Mitchell 6-11-3 B Powell                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Ì | 506 |             | DAD'S GAMBLE 13 (D,BF,G,S) (R Gider) J Gifford 7-11-3 Peter Hobbs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| ľ | 507 | 11          | DELIUS 44 (Q.S) (J. Renton) R Lee 10-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| l | 508 | 000P00      | KEEP FICHTING 13 (B( (Mrs P Aldersey) M Scudemore 6-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ĺ | 509 | 200201      | KING KANDA 13 (D,S) Goodfellow) Mrs J Goodfellow 10-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ı | 510 | 2-F-307     | LODDON LAD 33 (G.S) (Mrs J Mould) O Nicholson 6-11-3. R Dumicody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|   | 511 |             | NAUTICAL JOKE 22 (D.G.S) (P Piller) W A Stephenson 6-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|   | 512 |             | ON THE TWIST 22 (G.S) (G Hubbard) G Hubbard 6-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | 513 |             | RIVERNOT 10 (D,S) (P Pitter) W A Stephenson 6-11-3 A Merrigan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | 514 |             | ROYAL CEDAR 38 (D.F.S) (J Curbs) Mrs M Rimell 7-11-3 D Browne                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   | 516 | 321221      | SEATELL 13 (A Wilkinson) Denys Smith 6-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|   |     | UPSEEP      | TONIGHTS THE NIGHT 22 (S) (J Poynton) Mrs M Dickinson 7-11-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|   | 51/ | P-F111F     | JUNION S THE MIST 22 (3) IN POSTEDIN WAS IN CHARGE IN THE MIST AND A CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF THE |
|   |     | BETTING:    | 9-4 The West Awake, 7-2 Tonights The Night, 8-1 Loddon Lad. 13-2 Dad's Gami<br>1 Neutrical Joke, 14-1 Royal Cedar, 76-1 King Kanda, On The Twist, 20-1 others.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|   | 8-1 | Dollus, 10- | 1 Nauscal Joke, 14-1 Hoyai Cadar, 76-1 long Kandal, On The Twist, 20-1 omers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|   |     |             | 1987; AGAINST THE GRAIN 8-11-3 R Durwoody 6-1 O Nicholson 13 ran                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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FORM THE WEST AWAKE (11-4) beat Bob E33397, heavy, Mer 16, 14 rani, MAUTICAL JOKE 111-4) fell 8th and TONIGHTS THE MIGHT (11-4) fell 11th.

NAUTICAL JONE (11-11) had previously basters
Home To Floost (11-7) a distance at Ayr (3m 110yd,
£4445, heavy, Feb 13, 3 rail.

TONNGATIS THE NRGHT (12-2) had previously beaters
Goodistlows Folly (10-11) 81 at Kelso (3m, £1225,
soft; Feb 5, 10 ran) when RIVERNOT (10-12) was
brought down 2 out.

OADS GAMBLE unseated rider latest 2 starts. Previously (11-7) best Southerhair (11-0) 21 et Sandown (2m 4f 68yd, 23215, good to soft, Feb 19, 11 cm) 11 ran).
DELIUS has won last 2 stwris, Lest time (11-10) beat Cuddy Dale (10-0) 3/ at Huntingdon (2m 4/, £2042, good, Feb 23, 16 ran).
LODDON LAD (11-4) at best last time when beating Southerma's (11-4) 12/ at Newbury (2m 4/ listed, £4643, good, Mar 5, 7 ran).
Selection: THE WEST AWAKE

|   | 4.5 | OVD R   | tUM HANDICAP CHASE (£6,700: 2m 4f Mikimay course) (9 runners)                   |   |
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|   | 606 | 01-204P | SUMMONS 75 (D.F.G.S) (Mrs S Embricos) J Gillord 9-11-10 R Rome                  |   |
|   | 610 |         | CONTERACH KING 22 (D.BF.F.G.S) (A F Budge Ltd) Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-11-10 M Dwyer |   |
|   | 614 | 421313  | TRAVELOWEN 26 (D.BF.F.Q.S) (F Pater) W A Stephenson 11-11-1                     |   |
|   | 616 |         | KELLY'S HONOR B (B.D.S) (R Belasco) J Webber 9-10-12 O Memagh                   |   |
|   | 619 |         | KILBRITTAIN CASTLE 9 (F.G.S) (W Whithread) F Walwyn 12-10-10 K Mooney           |   |
|   | 621 |         | WHISKEY EYES 13 (D.F.G.S) (H Pmk) M Pipe 7-10-4. P Scudemore                    |   |
| ١ | 622 |         | VALENTINOS JOY 26 (F.G.S) (G Oktroyd) O Oktroyd 9-10-0 M Pepper                 | Ī |
|   | 623 |         | WORTHY KNIGHT 28 (F) (T Oursley) B McLean 7-10-0 S Storey                       |   |
|   | 625 |         | COLONEL ROSE 13 (F.G.S) (T Goldie) T Goldie 11-10-0                             |   |
|   |     |         | diese: Valetines lov 9-2 Worthy Knight 8-11 Colonel Boss 7-3                    |   |

BETTING: 11-4 Comeragh King, 7-2 Kethy's Honor, 5-1 Kibottain Castle, 8-1 Summons, 7-1 Valentinos Joy, 9-1 Travelowen, 12-1 Winskey Eyes, 20-1 Worthy Knight, 33-1 Colonel Rose.

FORM SUMMONS (11-10) best effort this term a 2½1 2nd to Music Be Maglic (10-12) at Cheftenham (2m 4t, 24635, good to soft, Oct 21, 7 ran). Oct 21, 7 ran). -COMERAGH KING (10-11) 4%1 3rd to Smart Tar (10-2) at Chellenham (2m 4f, £14625, heavy, Mar 16, 15 KELLY'S HONOR (11-5), on penultimete start, beet Dunkirk (11-3) 8i at Lingfield (2m 41, £2582, soft, Mar 3, 12 ran).

KE BRITTAIN CASTLE (11-0) 181 3rd to Midnight Count (11-10) at Sandown (2m 18yd, 23720, soft, Mar 29, 5 ran). Mar 29, 5 ran).
VALENTINO'S JOY (10-5) SI 2nd to Repington (11-10) at Doncaster (2m 41, 52465, good to firm, Mar 12, 7 ran) with TRAVELOWEN (11-5) 10/3rd.
COLONEL ROSE (10-9) 11/4/2nd to Ascermoor (10-10) at Catterick (2m, £1216, soft, Mar 25, 7 ran).

### **Course specialists**

|  | Course specialists                         |                                      |                                 |                                  |                                                    |                                   |                               |   |  |  |
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|  | Mrs M Dickinson<br>N Henderson<br>F Winter | TRAINER:<br>Winners F<br>3<br>4<br>3 | RS<br>Runners<br>18<br>24<br>22 | Per cent<br>18.7<br>16.7<br>13.6 | G McCourt<br>S Sherwood<br>R Durwoody<br>G Bradley | JOCKEYS<br>Winners<br>3<br>4<br>3 | Rides<br>12<br>13<br>24<br>22 | P |  |  |
|  |                                            | Only qualifiers                      |                                 | Only qualifiers                  |                                                    |                                   |                               |   |  |  |
|  | 3.20 HURSTPI                               | ERPOINT S                            | ELLING                          | HANDIC                           | AP (£992: 7f) (                                    | 16 runners)                       |                               |   |  |  |

| 3.20 | HUE    | STPIEF    | RPOINT SELLING HANDICAP (£992: 7f) (16 runners)                                                                                |                |
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| 1    | (3)    | 20004     | 1 (NDVARO 22.143 Playford) M Plot 4-9-10                                                                                       | . S Whitworth  |
| ä    | (5)    | 00.00000  | PONEY 100 ( PR E) (Miss V Markowsk) J L000 5-9-7                                                                               |                |
| 9    | (18)   | 2000000   | CODUCHARM 152 (D.F.S.I. (.) McKROWN) O Tucker 7-9-4                                                                            | IN HOWE        |
|      | (8)    | DOM:241-  | GYPSY'S BARN RAT 41.J (CD.S) (A Haddock) W Holden 4-9-2                                                                        | _ S Kingmucy   |
| •••  | 170    | 400000    | CI CUSTI ESS SICY 178 (F.G) (P COOK) P HOWING 5-9-1                                                                            | N ADDIES       |
| 13   | (16)   | ADMON A   | CUREDCOCHARE 10 /A Rurnbarm P Rutler 5-9-0.                                                                                    | Par coocry     |
|      | (6)    | 000.0     | GCL NEW PETINGO 13 (T WOOD) M BN0280 3-8-12                                                                                    | THE PERSONS    |
| 45   | -      | 00010-0   | SEPTEMBER SHAP 10 (F) (R Wright) S Stevens 4-8-11                                                                              | - P COOK       |
| 16   | (15)   | 003000    | LADY HOMELY 77J (Mrs P Michael) E Wheeler 4-8-11                                                                               | L 19990 (1)    |
|      | (11)   | 000000    | 13 OPET 157 /A Goldson) Pat Mitchell 4-9-11                                                                                    | 3 442111 (3)   |
| 18   | (4)    | 0/000000- | ANOTHER LUCAS 132J (B) (L Lucas) Mrs A Knight 4-8-10                                                                           | C Corbon (7)   |
| 18   | (2)    | 0/31000-  | AFRICAN OPERA 70J (B,S) (J Ribbons) R Hodges 4-8-9                                                                             | Times (7)      |
| 21   | (10)   | 200104-   | HATCHING 190 (D,F,S) (E Gedsden) L Cottrell 7-8-8                                                                              | W Newser       |
| 23   | (12)   | 0/00040-  | YAMRAH 100J (Mas S Sanders) Miss S Sanders 4-8-5                                                                               | C Hartman (7)  |
| 25   | (1(    | 303002-   | ROYAL SPECIAL 20J (J Montoto) Mrs A Knight 4-8-3                                                                               | T Chien        |
| 26   | (13)   | 000000-   | HASTY SARAH 153 (R Martin) W Brooks 4-8-3.                                                                                     | G Gerrhand (S) |
|      |        | 000002-   | MOULIN A-VENT 182 (B) (I Laming) R Hoed 3-8-3<br>DEL BOY 99J (D Jermy) O Jermy 5-7-12                                          | N Cartisie     |
| 30   | (17)   | 3500000   | DEL BOY VISI (D Jerry) O Jerry SV-12 Part Port 6-1 i                                                                           | Antohono 10-1  |
|      | ÆΠ     | NG: 7-2 G | Solden Petingo, 4-1 September Snap, 6-1 Gypsy's Barn Rat, 6-1 et 14-1 Moulin-A-Vent, Supercoombe, 16-1 Floret, Yamrah, 25-1 ot | hers.          |
| Hom  | ly, Ro | yai Speci | 8, 14-1 MUURI-A-VERT, SUPERCUCINOS, 10-1 PICTOS, 1811005, 10-1 CC                                                              |                |
|      |        |           | 1987: PAMELA HEANEY 5-7-9 P McGurk (16-1) H Beasley 17 ra                                                                      |                |
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3.55 BRIGHTON FESTIVAL HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,913: 1m) (7 runners) (4) 00110-3 RAISE YOURSELF 5 (C.G.S) (J Gorey) O Ling 9-7 ..... 2 (4) 00110-7 RAISE YOUNGELT (1 (545) CART ( 1987: MY NOBLE LORD 9-1 T Quinn (8-1) P Cole 11 ran

4 30 OVINCENTAN HANDICAP (F2 721: 1m 4f) (16 runners)

| 4.30 | UY   | MUNEW    | HINDER (EE, PE): All to (Continue by                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |
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| 1    | (2)  | 3030-    | MALAMAIN 16J (N Norton) R Akehurst 4-9-11                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 29          |
| ÷    | 148  | C-10000  | ICARUS 26J (F) (J Livock) D R 7ucker 4-9-3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 93          |
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### **Positive** The breathtaking cathedral of American golf

From David Miller Augusta, Georgia

As you drive the 120 odd miles of gently-wooded landscape from Alberta to Augusta, Pearl Bailey's "Georgia on My Mind" fills the uses. The aroma of pine needles. senses. Inc aroun of pine necotics, the air full of bird song, that friendly Southern languor which pervades even a trucking pull-in, makes it the most agreeable of

Take a wrong turn as you eventually slide off the Bobby Jones Expressway and you could be back in the Depression. Peeling weatherboard bungalows, dry as cheese rind, have a forlorn air on their broken brick piles. Old black men, hair grey with years, and small children slumber on the verandas in the afternoon heat on old car seats. Volum mobiles rot like stranded whales in the back gardens, their wheels overgrown by weeds.

the evidence here and there of new iness: not the resort it once was at the turn of the century for Southern gentry from Atlanta, seeking a warm, sea-level winter

The best hotel in town has the forsaken mood of King's Cross station on a Sonday in December, and the night is punctuated by the melancholy of goods-train sirens. The main street meanders out of town, over the Savannah river, past little bait-and-tackie shops offering hunting licences, past wooden white painted Methodist chapels, and one of several huge signs proclaiming "Real Men Don't Hit Women".

And then, saddenly, down a drive on the left, you discover the golfing Mecca created by the man whom they say was greater than Nicklaus; a sporting easis more naturally perfect even than Nicklaus's own Muirfield Village in Ohio. It is a partial coincidence, as Charles Price describes in his history of

Bobby Jones's triumphs and of the Augusta National, that the clab is a horticultural as well as a golfing

When Jones, son of a well-to-do lawyer, uniquely won the Amateur and Open championships of both Britain and the United States in 1930, he decided not to turn professional but to create a private club, primarily for winter use, away from his home of Atlanta and where, in the words of Belloc:

The men that were boys when I Shall sit and drink with me.

In the midst of the Depression and with Wall Street in panic be found, such was his name, the backers. By chance, he found, in Augusta, an abandoned horticultural nursery, founded the previons century by a Barna Berckmans, of Belgium. On his still serene today, and into the peach, juniper, crab apple. manor which is the clubbouse. Modest to a fault. Jones Jones later wrote:

"When I walked out onto the terrace and looked down over the landscape, the experience was un-forgettable." It still is.

With his co-designer, Alistair Mackenzie, he fashioned a course that, like the greatest of American screen goddesses, is voluptnous, enslaving, enigmatic and occasionally destructive. Its fairways, greens and shrubberies are so perfect you daré not discard a spent cigarette, never mind a candy

Two oaks, maybe 300 years old, dominate the clubbouse terrace, while around the course gigantic firs, as ageless as Grecian columns and many entwined with wisteria give dappled shade on the relvet grass. Berckmans's grandson was re-engaged by Jones to give each fairway its blazing borders of colour: camelia, cherry, jasmine,

Modest to a fault, Jones did not wish the title of "championship" for the initial invitation tournament of 1934 - "championship of what?" he asked - but inexorably it became known as the Masters; past and current major champions invited automatically, only the for-eign entry selected, sometimes controversially, by discretion. Victories of the greatest golfers com-pounded its pre-eminence - Hogan and Snead twice each, Palmer three times, Nicklaus six, Player, Watson and Ballesteros twice each.

There are fewer (45) than half the usual number of championship bunkers, the subtlety achieved instead by fairway hillocks. The huge vistas, on a course with twice the conventional acreage, are often breathtaking. The par-four 5th hole climbs onto a wide sward, like Arendel cricket ground. As you gaze down the par-five 2nd, into the huge bowl of the centre of the

course, the crowds swirl around the 3rd, 8th and 18th tees and the 2nd, 7th and 17th greens like battle scenes at Waterloo.

It is possible simultaneously to watch the 1st and 9th from beneath four giant magnolias, each with a spread of 60 feet, while on benches on the fairway, just beneath the dropping short of thee, you can simultaneously observe the 6th and 16th greens surrounded by a sea of s: mauve, crimson, pink, white and flame.

Beauty and deception envelop the 11th, 12th and 13th. The 11th green lies below hillocks, sur-rounded by water to the left, rounded by water to the left, bunkers behind. The short 12th is over water into what might be a private garden at Frinton-on-Sea; a herbal, sand-circled dart board. The dog-leg 13th, skirting a brook, is the venemous par four-and-a-half champion maker. Not for nothing is this threesome known as Amen Corner.

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By John Hennessy Ed Richardson, the son of the former England Test tricketer, Peter Richardson, has flown home from the United States this week for the sole purpose of playing in the Halford Hewits. golf tournament, alongside more than 600 other public schoolboys, at Deal and Sand-wich. Positive thinking on a grand scale:

Yet if things go wrong for Tonbridge against Mill Hill in the first round at Sandwich today, Richardson, who will be making his first appearance, could be travelling extensively, and expensively for just one foresomes match. Tonbridge, however seeking a first convention. however, seeking a first covered victory, have cause for op-timism, having reached the last four in 1985 and 1986 and the final last year against.
Merchiston.

Richardson left school last summer with a handicap of 1.6. This rose to 2.6 before the year's end, but his golf is said to be "fantastically improved" since enrolling in the University of Miami in the autumn. His handicap there has come down to 0.5, but unfortunately this cannot alter his standing in this country. This is of no importance so far as this week is concerned, of course, but it may limit the concrunities open to limit the opportunities open to him in important events later in

If form is upheld, Toubridge, in a section of the draw top-heavy with potential winners. will expect to meet Merchiston again at Deal in the fourth in wait with what may be a Halford Hewitt furst in the way of team selection: three irs of brothers. Stewart and pairs of broughs. Morison Zuill, members of last. year's winning team, are now joined by Colin and Smart Briggs and Harry and Donald.

Merchiston today face Sherborne at Sandwich, a school? humbly placed in the Anderson. Scale, a kind of Halford Hewitt. league table. This, however, is a fact they would do well to ignore. Sherborne have a good, record against stronger sides, so; they say, and claim to be "far from quaking in our boots.", Did they not knock out the holders. Harrow, in the first round only, two years ago? Sherborne wel-come their first Blue for some

Merchiston and Sherborne are followed immediately on the course by another tantalizing encounter, between Eton and Harrow. These two, who haves dominated the tournament. time since 1973, so there are no

all the way up as captains, first at school, then in the University ceulenary match in 1978, and now in the Halford Hewitt.

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v The Leys; Eastbourne v Cranleigh:
Liverpool v Tremi: Edinburgh v
Hurspierpoint: St Paul's v Wellington;
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Oulvich; Menchiston v Sharborne; Eton v
Halleybury: Glenatmond v Berichamsted;
Ampletorth v Loretto; Uprigham v Boghton;
Wrelan v Strewsbury. Tomorrow:
Stowe v Rugby; Forest v Doenside;
Winchester v Aldenham; Chigwell v King
Edward's, Blimingham.

Not the place to be: Bernhard Langer, who is a former winner, plays ont of a bunker during a practice round at Augusta

## **Ballesteros style** makes him a worthy favourite

From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Augusta, Georgia

ation as a master-escapologist is certain to be severely examined as he begins his attempt to win his third US Masters title here today. The Spaniard has a natural instinct to flirt with danger among the azaleas and dogwoods on the Augusta National course, and it is this very desire for adventure that could provide him with his best chance of success.

For caution is, paradoxically, a reckless approach here, an almost certain guarantee of failure. This is no arena for the apprentice or for the fainthearted, as more than one great player has discovered 10: his cost over the years."The Masters is the only golf tournament where you start choking when you drive through' the gate," Gary Player once said.

ambienee overwhelming. To Ballesteros, however, driving through the members' entrance and approaching the white colonial clubhouse is almost like coming home. Augusta is the nearest thing to the Pedreña course on which he grew up in northern Spaio. It is the reason why he cannot resist the temptation to attack. To Bailesteros, being at Augusta is like being caught io a time warp; it brings back all the carefree instincts of his youth.

He has not won the US which the championship is played impose too many restrictions on him. Augusta, however, cannot suppress his aggression, and the wide fairways, bordered by little or no rough, encourage Ballesteros to open his shoulders.

Even so, he now has an ambivalent relationship with Augusta after three successive disappointments. Bernhard Langer moved past him in 1985: Ballesteros committed golfing suicide by depositing his ball in the water on the 15th hole in 1986; and 12

Severiano Ballesteros's reput- months ago he took three although Lyle has failed in his putts at the first extra hole of a previous six appearances here to make a decisive start. His play-off. first round scores of 73, 74, 76 (twice), 77 and 78 represent an

All of which indicates that he is far from being infallible at Augusta. Yet his victories in 1980 and 1983 and his record of being only once out of the top four in the last six years make him a worthy favourite for this, the 52nd Masters.

Certainly he would appear once again to be the most likely player to provide Europe with further cause to celebrate. Langer, the only other European to have won this coveted title, cannot be relied upon on this occasion, suffering as he is from persis-

Card of course Yda Par Hole Yds Par Out 3.465 36 to 3.440 36 tent back pain. There is talk

many for treatment and possible surgery. Conversely there is no more one of four British pro-fessionals taking part. David Curry and Paul Mayo are also in the field as the British succession. amateur champions of 1986

now of him returning from

here to his native West Ger-

and 1987 respectively. Lyle's laid-back approach has made him enormously popular with the American public. Two victories on the US Tour this year have also earned him the respect of his peers. "I've never felt as relaxed and at peace with myself before any tournament, let alone a major like the Masters," said Lyle. "I've never played better in my life or more consistently.

This is what Nick Faldo, who has broken 70 only once in 16 rounds at Augusta, Ken Brown and Ian Woosnam must guard against. The overpowering setting is a frightening experience to newcomers such as Brown and Woosnam, There is a touch of Henley about Augusta, with bottle green blazers de rigeur for the members, who all wear

appalling record, although

they are reflective of how the

course can stifle an individ-

ual's flair and talent.

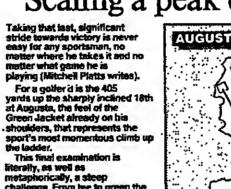
perature can soar towards Then there are the large, treacherous greens. On no course in the world is it more: imperative to know the exact siting of the hole on the putting surface. The entire strategy revolves around hitting the ball to the precise part of the green from where it is easiest to putt towards the

ties, no matter that the tem-

Experience, then, is the key element even if Larry Mize, a 100-1 outsider, did hole a confident player in the world million-to-one chip of 140ft at today than Sandy Lyle, who is the second extra hole 12

Norman, however, is more likely to be a contender over the next four days than Mize. Ben Crenshaw, Jack Nicklaus, who holds a record six Masters titles, Lanny Wadkins and Tom Watson must he re-garded as the leading American challengers.

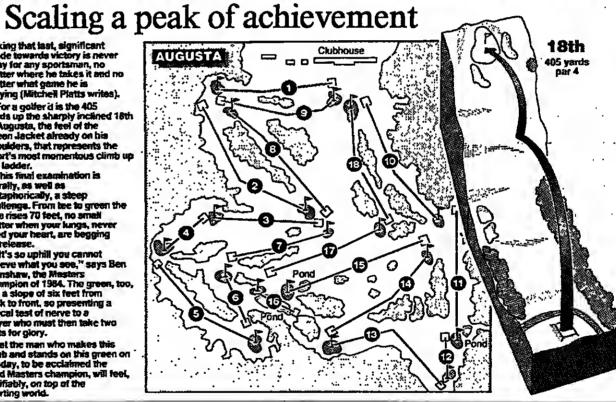
Yet ultimately it is not simply talent that wins the putts for glory. Masters, but the ability not to be consumed by the course itself. Even the mercurial Ballesteros is fully aware of It is a warning to his rivals, that



challengs. From be to green the hole rises 70 feet, no small matter when your lungs, never mind your heart, are begging "It's so uphill you cannot critical test of nerve to a

phus for gody.

Yet the man who makes this
climb and stands on this green on
Sunday, to be acclaimed the
52nd Masters champion, will feel, justifiably, on top of the



time, Rupert Yonngman, accompanying his father, John, also of Oxford.

old scores to settle apart from

A new score to settle is in the offing, however, since Jamie 1 Warman (Harrow and Cam-bridge) and Richard Hurst (Etonand Oxford) have crossed clubs

### A new chapter for Tolkien

By Steve Acteson

Richard Tolkien will be depend-ing not so much upon a wing and a prayer but two wings and a hefty helping of sponsorship from the financial printing and communications company, Williams Lea, in his attempt to become the first British wioner of the Carlsberg Singlehanded Transatlantic Race since Geoffrey Williams in 1968.

Tolkien, a distant relative of the author, J. R. Tolkien, is oot, however, indulging in Hobbit-like flights of fancy. He is optimistic of steering his 55ft. Class One trimaran to victory in the 3.000-mile marathon from Plymouth to Newport, Rhode Island, which begins on June 5.

Tolkien has impressive credentials, like his trimaran,

column.

mance, sails, rudder, steering which, sailed by the Frenchman, Yvon Fauconnier, won the last singlehanded Transatlantic race Tolkien, aged 33, a Londoncr,

in 1984. Fauconnier put her up and a director of the merchant bankers Morgan Grenfell, won Class Five of the 1984 Quebec-St Malo race in a 40ft trimaran for sale and when Tolkien saw the boat at Exmouth in 1986 during a snow storm, he bought her for £45,000 despite a large hole in her deck. with Tony Bullimore, who represents his only British Class One opposition next June unless That autumn she was char-tered to a Frenchman for the Chay Blyth can find a boat in

French singlehanded event, the Route de Rhum, but was ruo down by a coaster when leading and underwent major repairs. "I'm quietly confident and it is certainly high time someone from Britaio won the race again," said Tolkien yesterday. Last November, Williams Lea "There will be at least a dozen Frenchmen going for it in Class One multi-hulls and all with something like a £350.000 budget. But this is a race where the agreed to sponsor Tolkien for a year, which included a complete re-fit. This added two feet to the length. She also now has a new mast 10ft longer, which has improved her light-wind perforindividual counts, not just enormous amounts of money.

BOXING

### Havard is next for Cowdell

Pat Cowdell will make the next defence of his British superfeatherweight title against the highly-rated Welshman, Floyd Havard. Cowdell hopes to box Havard within the next two months and, if he wins, would become the first man to win Lonsdale belts outright at two separate weights.

Cowdell announced his intentions after knocking out Dave Savage, of Scotland, in the lifth round of their non-title bout in Birmingham on Tues-The Warley boxer was never

troubled by the Scottish cham-pion, despite Savage's attempts to rush Cowdell out of his stride in the early rounds.

The former European cham-pion, who has suffered two first-round knockout defeats in his last seven contests, fended off the Scot's lunging charges and then proceeded to give bis opponent a boxing lesson.

Tuesday's results

division: Leicester City 2, Birmingham City 1. Third division: Mensified Town 1, Watsall 3, GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Westdstone 0, Bath 1. Westdstone 0, Bath 1. Fine Fare Scott 15H LEAGUE: Premier division: Celtic 2, St Marren 0, Santranoff Methods of Portadown 0, Gerderon 2, Ballymena 0; Portadown 0, Gerderon 2, Everton 2, Leede 0; Grimsby 1, Blackpool 1; Huddersfield Charles 1, Preston 0, Barnely 4, Santranoff 0, Sunderland 2, Sentranoff 0, Sunderland 2, Sentranoff 0, Sunderland 2, Postponed: Sherfield United 3, Postponed: Sherfield Wednesday v Aston Vite. Second division: Microsoff v 1, Sunday Markon 1, Okaman 1, Santham 1; Igswich 0, Wigan 0, Preston 0, Barneley 4; Robertsen 3, York 1. Sunday Markon Combination: Charles 2, Swindon 1, Valuthalla OPEL LEAGUE: First division: Mariow 2, Uxbridge 0, F4 You'll CIP. Cearlier-final replay: Arsenel 5, Crewe 1. West GERMAN LEAGUE: Borussia Dort-West 1, West GERMAN LEAGUE 1, West 1, W

### By David Hands Rnghy Correspondent

Next Monday the Rugby Football Union will name the two players - hooker and stand-

off half — to make up the tour party to 26. At the same time the XV to play Ireland in the Dublin Millenium match on April 23 will be announced, a weekend in which the whole tour party will

wards that victory. "This match in Dublin is a full international and it would be wrong to deprive players of deserved caps because, for perfeetly acceptable reasons, they cannot get time off to tour."

Cooke said. "We finished the championship in wonderful style and we want to choose the

Ireland 35-3 at Twickenham fast month, it would be foolish to ignore the components which contributed so significantly to-

the intention to choose the England XV for Dublin from business demands respectively, will play in Dublin Richards, the Leicester No. 8, will not within the tour party, such was the success of the side that beat since he has been suspended for his part in the Calcutta Cup affair. Egerton, of Bath. seems the most likely replacement. The England party for Dublin will meet al Twickenham for

training on April 17 and the following weekend will probably incorporate additional training for the whole of the Australiabound party. Whether that will include Dawe or Olver as deputy hooker to Moore remains to be seen, though one could scarcely blame Dawe for being

this season and has played successfully in B internationals. He has ousted more fancied rivals such as Jones, the Neath No. 8, Moriarty, Swansea's forward who led Wales to third place in the World Cup last year, and Kaymlak the promising ond Kawulok, the promising Bridgend lock.

his claim

Steve Ford, the banned former Cardiff Rugby Club wing, has handed an affidavit to the Welsh Rugby Union as part of his appeal for reinstatement, and the WRU could hear his case at a committee meeting (oday.

After receiving a letter from the WRU, Ford consulted a

#### The Turf's top commentator, John Oaksey (Audax) sets the scene for Saturday's major event. In this week's Horse and Hound, he previews the Grand National, while Marcus Armytage provides you with an A to Z guide to the runners and Peter Willett pinpoints the horses bred for glory. · Ivan Straker, bead of Seagrams, the Aintree sponsors, is interviewed. · A behind-the-scenes look at one of the favourites. Also: The Mark Phillips horse trials

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### RUGBY UNION: FINAL TWO ENGLAND PLACES FOR AUSTRALIA AT STAKE AT BATH Dawe and Olver battle for tour berth

Geoff Cooke, the England mantour party to Australia.

BARCLAY'S LEAGUE: First division: Luton Town 2, Shelfield Wednesday 2: Warbiedon I, Coventry Chy 2, Second division: Leicaster Chy 2, Braingham Cry 1, Third division: Mensfield Town 1, Waterial 3

S. Crewe 1. ERMAN LEAGUE: Borussia Dortwas becoming a difficult

#### assemble, even though only 21 of them will be involved. the momentum going." The fates conspire, therefore, to make April in England of This is as broad a hint as any that Oti and Halliday, the wiog and centre unavailable for

considerably greater interest than usual. Cooke has already confirmed that, though it was

ager, will be at Bath Recreation ground on Saturday, interested not so much in Harlequins' search for the points which will ensure their first division survival in the Courage Clubs Championship next season as the confrontation between Graham Dawe and John Olver, both leading candidates for one of the vacancies in England's

Twickenham chance for Suckling Injuries have forced Warwickshire to make two changes in the side to play Lancashire for the Toshiba county championship at Twickenham on Saturday. Buttimore, the Leicester centre, dislocated a shoulder during his club's hearts much with Weter

club's league match with Water-loo oo Monday, while Paul Thomas, the Coventry flanker, has failed to recover from an eye injury. Warwickshire have chosen Massey (Nuneaton), at centre, and Suckling, who will keep Coventry's representation at 10, in the back row. Suckling and Thomas have contested a pos-

ition in the Coventry scrum since Thomas decided to return from Rugby, whom he joined at the beginning of the season. The loss of Buttimore, however, deprives the county of a dangerous broken-play runner, who scored a characteristic try during the semi-final against Surrey. It also helps to solve

By David Hands problem for Leicester, bnw to accommodate all their centres now that Dodge, the club cap-tain, is restored to fitness. They

play Bristol on Saturday.

the match for the Courage Clubs Championship against Water-loo, even though Dodge could doubtless have asserted his claim to a place in committee. It is typical of Dodge that he should not have done so, but Bottlimore's injury ways him the Bottimore's injury gave him the chance to come on just before the interval and help the club for whom he has played for 13 years to the inaugural championship. Bristol have already named a XV which looks remarkably like the one which could contest the John Player Special Cup final on April 30. Hull, the RAF player, is at centre because Thomas has damaged knee ligaments, but otherwise there are contests within a contest throughout the

Two more wins would allow

Bristol to equal their record number of wins in a season (23); they have already passed 1,000 points yet have still, ironically, points yet have still, ironically, to make themselves safe as far as first division rugby next season is concerned. Their cup final with Harfequins, it has been agreed, will also count for league points, so they have re-arranged their fixtures for April 16, when they should have played Harfequins. Buttimore and Bates started Harlequins.

Instead, on April 17 at the Memorial Ground, they will play a XV drawn from the Combined Services and British Police party to tour New Zealand in Men October 18 and in Men Octo land in May. On April 26 they will go to Coventry for a league game which will be vital for both sides, though Coventry are in greater danger of joining Sale in relegation.

WARWICKSHIRE: (Coventry unless stated: Serve Hall (Barkers Butts); C Leeks, M Warr (Barkers Butts), R Massey (Nunsston), Sai Hall; M Lakey, S Thotras (captain); L Johnson, A Ferrington, S Witner, P Stuckling, A Guillver, P Sturenan (Rugby), K Hickey (Moseley), R Travera.

He was England's replace-ment hooker throughout the five nations' championship but now finds that Olver, almost hy Australia because of Cambridge virtue of playing in B inter-nationals when Dawe could not, University examinations and has crept up oo him. The Harlequins captain has taken

puzzled at the turn of events.

bis chance admirably; he has contributed towards three good England B wins and his clob has been on a rising tide of success.
Cooke will also be able to cast
a final eye over Barnes as a
potential tour stand-off, though as relevant a struggle will be going on at Bristol at the same. Ume, where Hogg — who has settled in so effectively this scason - will meet Cusworth, Leicester's little master, who was good enough for England at the start of this international season but seems not to be in contention at the end of it.

The Welsh tour party to New Zealand has been completed with Moseley, the Pontypool lock, being named as the 26th man. Moseley, aged 25 and 6ft 7in, is uncapped although he has trained with the senior squad this season bad has squad

Ford presses

solicitor and the affidavit was drawn up saying he had not received any money when he took part in a Rugby League trial.

Bucharest (Renter) - Benfica, the winners of the European Cup in 1961 and 1962, outplayed, out-thought and out-fought the 1986 champions Steam Bucharest, in the first leg of their semi-final here

Contrary to what the score suggested, Benfica were in a fively attacking mood, al-though Silvino, their goal-keeper, made two superb eaves in the closing minutes. The Romanians surrendered control of the midfield early on and never regained the

Steama's attack, so decisive in their defeat of Rangers in the quarter-finals, was well held by a Portuguese defence marshalled by Mozer, and neither Lacutus, the winger, nor Hagi, their elegant for-

After Balint twice missed chances in the opening flurry, Steaua became subdued. Pacheco forced a fine save from Liliac after 36 minutes.

The Portuguese short-passing game continued to confuse Steam and Chighino, their Brazilian, was a constant menace on the right.

almost paid the penalty in the 88th minute when Lacatus crossed for Cojacaru, and Silvino only just turned away the substitute's shot.

# Gascoigne rejects

Paul Gascoigne, probably the suspension for reaching 21 discimost sought-after player in Eng-land, has refused to sign a new five-year contract with New-castle United, even though he still has 14 months of his present

The revised offer would have been worth £2,000 a week to the England under-21 midfield player, and Willie McPaul, the Newastle manager, has said he will offer a three-year contract to Gascoigne instead.

Several English first division terest in Gascoigne, as well as clubs in Scotland and abroad, and it is reported that Tottenham Hotspur have held talks

chester United, wants a transfer to a Continental club. The

Dean Glover, of Middles-

Besancon on April 13. The manager, Dave Sexton's plans have been wrecked by rearranged midweek first division matches which rob him of at least nine players.

They include Paul Gascoigne and Neil McDonald, of New-castle United, David Rocastle, Paul Davis and Michael Thomas, of Arsenal, plus Des Walker, Nigel Clough and Franz Carr, of Nottingham Forest. Sexton r s so far been able to name c y 14 players,

Dorigo, of Chelsea, and

**TENNIS** 

### **Bale leads** the exit of seeds

Smart Bale's eagerly awaited start to a new British season ended dismally yesterday when he was beaten 6-1, 6-0 in the third round of the Cumberland Club hard-court tennis tournament at Hampstead, London. Bale, the British No. 8 and top seed, picked up only 23 points and lost the last 11 games

to fellow Middlesex player, Keith Tomlin, Although Bale left the ground immediately after his 49-minute defeat, he did complain of muscular pain in both shoulders.

Bale was just one of six men's seeds who lost yesterday, to add to the six who went out on Tuesday. Now only two of the original 16 are left

Alistair Lumsden, the Californian-born Scot, who had beaten the third seed, James Turner, of Bath, on Tuesday, returned to put out the 12th seed, Laurence Matthews, from Chandlers Ford, Hampsbire, in another three-set thriller. This time Lumsden woo 3-6, 7-6, 6-1

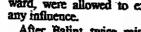
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RESULTS: Men's eingles: Third round: A
Lunaden (Soo) bt L. Matthews (Hants), 6-7-8, 6-1; P. Hughesman (Middx) bt P.
French (Somersed, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4; C. Clarke
(Budke) bt D. Kirk (Lancs), 7-6, 6-1, M.
Reves (Sussex) bt P. Freen (Avon), 7-5, 62. J. Humber (Surrey) bt P. Russell (Gloucs),
6-2, 6-2; A. Rouse (Essex) bt P. Hand
(Berts), 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; K. Tornin (Middx) bt
S. Baie: (Middx), 6-1, 6-0; M. Robinson
(Lancs) bt V. Ranson (Essex), 6-3, 1-6, 7-5,
Women's singless Quarter finals: A Gregory (Notts) bt J. Tacon (Norbolk), 4-6, 6-1,
7-6; K. Humber (Surrey) bt M. Bishop (Herts),
6-3, 7-6; C. Tee (Surrey) bt S. Turms
(Essex), 7-8, 6-2; C. Bilingham (Oxford) bt
C. Baiteman (Essex), 6-1, 6-3.

# cause alarm

council members said yesterday they were surprised and unhappy that they would have to guarantee to meet any losses incurred if Anchorage stages the 1994 Olympic Winter Games. However, the mayor, Tom Fink, said he was aware of the irement and he thought it a

commitment the city should



But Benfica became com-placent late in the game and

Silvino was also called upon to hold a header from

COJACATU from a pass by Hagi STEAU, BUCHAREST: P Life: S loven, L Petrescu (sub: C Cojocaru), M Belodedic, A Burnbescu, T Stoca, M Lacates, G Popascu, V Piturca, G Hagi, G Balint (sub: Lucian Balan).

# Newcastle offer

plinary points.

Nico Claesen, the Belgian international player whose career at Tottenham reached a new low on Tuesday when be was substituted in a reserve team game, plans to discuss his career with Terry Venables, his agreement to run. manager, at the end of the season. "I think everyone at the club, myself included, is waiting for the end of the season," he said. "I am not pleased with the way things have gone and I think my season is finished."

teams have expressed an inwith Newcastle. He is valued at around £1.5 million.

Norman Whiteside, of Man-

transfer-listed Northern Ireland international, who is valued at £2 million by his club, said he was not interested in communing in Britain.

England's second-best

Paul Stewart heads a quartet of Manchester City players thrust into England's under-21 European Championship semi-final first leg match against France in Snewsbury.

Andy Thorn, of Wimbledon, are the only men with top-flight status, but the latter could yet be ruled out by an FA Cup semi-final replay.

NITED STATES: Tucoday: An argue: New York Yankoca 8, Mic Wiss 0; Oukland Athletics 8, Seattle M Twicis () Oeldand Artifetics 8, Southe Marienz () National League: Pattsburgh Pirates 5, Philidelphia Phillies 3: Cheopo Cubs 10, Allanta Braves 9: Houston Astros 6, San Diego Padres 3: Los Angeles Dodgers 5, San Francisco Gients ().

BASKETBALL

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UNITED. STATES: National Bankethell Association (MBA) gennes: Attanta Hawks 121. Makasikae Bucks 110: Detroit Patrons 107. New Jersey Nets 95; New York Krucks 155; Philadelphra 76ras 119; Indiana Pacers 105. Cheveland Cavaliers 105; Washington Bullets 105. Chicago Bulls 94; Denver Nuggets 110. Houston Pockets 97; Phoenix Suns 111, Ulash Jazz 100; Portland Trailblazers 143, Los Angeles Clopers 119; San Antonio Spurs 117, Golden State Warriors 104; Los Angeles Lakers 94, Seottle Supersonics 90.

BOXING

ASTON VILLA LEISURE CENTRE: Professional premotion: Lightweight (4 rounds):
John Foreiman (Birthrigham) bt Dave Jones
(Manchester), No 1st. Weiter (6 rounds):
Kostas Petrou (Birthrigham) bt Gary
Sommerville (Birthrigham), rst. Syperteather: (8 rounds): Pat Coudel (Warley) bt
Dave Savage (Gissgow) ko, Sh. Superheavy: (6 rounds): Pat Coudel (Warley) bt
Round Campbel (London), to 2nd, Lightweiter: (8 rounds): Pater Crook (Botton) bt S
RASILDON: Professional promotion: Lighttearyweight (Grids): R Basten (Norwich) bt S
Conway (New Cross); rsc 4th, Light-selde (B
rds): T Marrus (Hactney) bt 7 McCallum
(Edinburgh, ko Sh. Light: S Gritten (Finct-tey)
br O Dickierson (Gardy), rsc 2nd, Biddle (Brds): D
Cook (Petitham) bt C Curtis (Swendon), rsc
4th. Weiter (Brds): T Smith (Harlow) bt R
Calleghan (Holloway), pts.

CRICKET

SARINA PARIK, Jamaica: Jamaica v Lan-cashire: Second day: Jamaica 241 for nine Folley four for 67, Walkinson two for 44, Jaminonds two for 52.

CYCLING

BIRANGO, Spairs Beaque tour race: Second state (Beasain to Durango, 184 km): 1, R Gdz. (WG), Srr Zmn 138ec; 2, S Kaby (Ire); 3, J Gorospe (So); 4, J L Lagule (So); 5, G-J Theunisse (Neth); 6, M Lujarram (So); 8 sunte some. Leading positions: 1, Golz, Srr John 13sec; 2, Kesly; 3, Lugaie; 4, Theunisse; 5, A Prior (So); 6, Gorospe, British: 11, R Malar (Scotland, all seems inte.
TEXAS: Tour of Truster Menc; 1, A Saide (Can), 11:31:10; 2, B Watton (Can), 11:31:10; 2, B Watton (Can), 11:31:15; 3, J Veggeto (Den); 11:32:50, Wommer; 1, B Sankants Davis (US), 7:23:37; 2, I Bernedict (US), 7:23:40; 3, P Peoples (US), 7:23:42.

RIC DE JANEIRO: South American Cham-elous Cap: Group One: Flemango (Br) 3, Estudiantés de la Plata (Arg), 0. EUROPEAM CLP: Servillock: First lag: Steaus Bucharest (Rom) 0, Bentics (Port) 0.

SPEEDWAY

CHALLENGE MATCHES: Poole 55. East-bourne 36: Milton Keynes 45, Stoke 51 (Stoke win on agg. 105-35).



Seat of power: Harford finds it hard to smile as he tries to guide Luton Town to success

### Harford trying to ensure it all does not end in tears

bumour just lately. Humiliated at Wembley hy a team who may not be good enough to stay in the second division and thrashed hy a similar margin either side of that extraordinary Simod Cup final, Harford, as a former Fulham manager, has learned to smile in the face of adversity.

On Tuesday, Luton Town suffered more physical than mental damage to a 2-2 home draw with Sheffield Wednesday when Sealey, their goalkeeper, was badly buffeted to a collision with Chapman, Harford told the Press gathering afterwards: "He looks a bit dopey, but it's hard to

After the 4-1 defeat to Reading, Harford spent the most beneficial 90 minutes he has ever had with his players. "People were prepared in their

HILTON HEAD ISLAND: Women's tour-persent: First round: J Novotne (Cz) bt 2 Bowes (US), 6-1, 6-0; F Bonsignon (I) et 0 Mitro (BH), 3-6, 7-6; H Keless (Can) bt M Torres (US), 6-3, 7-6; S Cecchini (II) bt E Krapi (Switz), 7-6, 6-0; L Genrone (II) bt G Magers (US), 7-6, 6-1; I Budarova (Cz) bt A Kannadopoulou (Cr), 8-3, 1-6, 6-4; T Preiss (US) bt 0 Van Rensburg (SA), 6-2, 6-1;

Getti (1)

(US), 7-6, 6-0; L Garrone (tr) fr G.

(US), 7-6, 6-1; I Budarova (C.)

Karnadopulou (G.), 5-3, 1-6, 6-4; Y.

(US) bt D Van Rensburg (SA), 6-2; Kuczynstak (Pol) bt C Roymolos; (US), 4-50. A Hontous (C2) bt Hu Na (Grana), 7-4

V Probst (WS) bt Carnny MacGregor (IB 6-4; P Tursberl (Vrg) bt K.

(C Bengerin (IPS)

Goles (Yug) bt G Morea (Arg), 7-5 6-1; Weaner (Austrel) bt R Casale (US), 8-1. 6-2. Helium (US) bt K Horvath (US), 4-8, 6-3, 6-3; Schimper (SA) bt a Martin (US), 6-3, 6-3; Fulco (Arg) bt 1 Cuelo (WG), 6-3, 6-1; P Casale (US) bt P Vasquez (Peru), 6-0, 8-7, 6-3; Relianch (SA) bt M-Lou Daniels (US), 7-8, 6-4 A Sanchéz (So) bt A Bezzer (WG), 7-8, 6-4 Harviss (WG) bt a Wasserman (Bel), 7-5, 2-6 Harviss (WG) bt a Wasserman (Bel), 7-5, 2-6 CHICAGO: Chicago championaships (US) unless stated? Bellet Singlets: First round: Grabb bt M Arriger, 7-6, 6-3; C Duscain bt 1 Wisthen, 7-6, 6-3, S Genomales bt M Davez, 7-6, 6-4.

WEYNOUTHE Royal Back of Scotland Matienal Youth chemploreships: Fifth races 420 class: 1. J Merricks and R Wilson (Rutland Chefenge); 2. C Toylor and R Newman (Silver Planer). 3. A Richards and E Dundar (Wrecking Crue). Lasers 1. R Kent: 2. T Cooper; 3. T Nelson. Overall poetitions; 626: 1. Marricks and Wisch, 1 Ipts; 2. I Walter and S Powell, 28: 3. C Taylor and R Newman, 45. Lasers. 1. R Kent. 1695; 2. T Cooper, 22.7. 3. M Humphrays. 37.4. HYERES, France: International epimpetition: First races. 1. S Wertsalls (WG); 2. S Cole (GB); 3. A John (WG). Other British: 4. M Budd; 5. G Kally, 1. R City; 12. R Lot. Second Race: 1. F Toren (Switz); 2. H Boat (Fr); 3. M Budd (GB). Other British: 6. S Coie: 8. G Kelly.

No to Olympics

Lausanne (AFP) - Opposition,

notably from environmental

ists, is mounting in Switzerland against Lausanne's bid to host

the 1994 Winter Olympics.

Opponents say the candidature

ignores the real needs of the

Paris (Reuter) ~ Guillermo

and Jimmy Arias, of the United

States, have been given wild

card entries for next week's Nice

Open tennis tournament.

the Argentine veteran

people of Lausanne

Vilas for Nice

6-3; C Benjamin (US) DI VI VIII S. A. Villigran (Arg) bi W Whate (US) Goles (Yug) bi G Moscai (Arg) Weamer (Austrie) bi R Cessis (US) 4-1-1-1-1 (US) 4-1-1-1-1 (US) 4-1-1-1

FOR THE RECORD

It has not been easy for Ray embarrassment and misery to on the pockets of supporters and Harford to retain his sense of open their bearts. Some of it was naturally they get upset when we personal, but it was very constructive," Harford said. Lu-ton bounced back with a 4-1 wio of their own two days later against Portsmouth, but the memory of Wembley lingered

Away from the very special home comforts of Kenilworth Road, Luton again let them-selves down oo Saturday in a 4-0 defeat at Newcastle, "We had another meeting after that game, and that was oot good at all, very negative, very hostile. Some things were said that should oot have been said by me and the players."

Harford was disappointed at the team's lack of self-discipline. "They looked as though they waoted to try to kick people. That sort of behaviour is a cop

Luton's brittleness away from home is at odds with their form at Kenilworth Road, where, up at Kennworth Koad, where, up until Tuesday, they had won 12 consecutive games. "We've let our chairman, David Evans, down in lots of way. We're giving people amunition to say that if you want to see the true Luton, watch them away from the artificial prich and the the artificial pitch and the home-only sopport'. Our success in the cups has put a straio

**BOWLS** 

Early test

for the

champion

The leading seeds, Tony Allcock, David Bryant, Andy Thomson and Wynne Richards all qualified for the quarter-final

round of the Robert Hutchinson Opticians Bowls Masters

Championship at Ely yesterday

Thomson, the holder, from the Cyphers Club, Beckenham,

rink and allowed his young opponent only three more shots.

9-7; K King (Ely) bt G Coles (Falcon Chelmstord), 9-5, 8-9, 9-8.

**SQUASH RACKETS** 

InterCity to

switch from

as champions."

doo't perform. There's been more hostility about the Simod defeat than anything because we set the supporters up to let them

Whereas Luton's follow may regret the timing of this semi-final, Harford welcomes it. He is convinced that the team respond better to pressure and, consequently, has been heaping it upon them since the weekend. He also believes that his back

four, which he has publicly criticised, are more at home against the abrasive qualities of Fashanu than the footballiog sides. When Luton lost at Wimbledon last mooth, they were without Foster, their player-coach, who was recover-ing from a fractured cheek bone. His presence this time, Harford believes, could make a significant difference.

It is important that Lutoo do not get sucked in by the burly-burly of the Wimbledoo style. Harford was encouraged by the way Totlenham relain shape for an hour at Plough Lane recently before the heads went down when a goal was conceded. "It takes a lot of conceded. "It takes a lot of bottle to keep passing the ball around, especially in deep areas, because they never stop dogging you," Harford said. "They're not as physical as some people believe. They work hard and close you down. They have ultimate faith in what they are doine."

that faith on Saturday.

### Moynihan | asked for a report on hooligans

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From John Goodbody East Berlin

The European Football Union (UEFA) has asked Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, for a report on the state of football hooliganism and its findings will be vital to whether English clubs are re-admitted to the European competitions next

It was reported last week that the UEFA executive committee has already delayed making a decision until after the European decision until after the European championship because Moyai-han wants to see how English supporters behave in West Ger-many in June.

Moynikan said yesterday: "I have repeatedly said that any decision about the return of the English clubs to Europe must be dependent on the behaviour of the forest throughout the second the fans throughout the season European "The verdict must be made

whenever UEFA feels it is best, but the decision must be that of the European governing body. It has asked me for a report at the end of the season and I am not going to pre-empt it now. We have got to wait and see."

A survey six weeks ago in *The Times* found that almost all the 34 member countries of UEFA are in favour of the rea of English clubs to the European on Engish class to the European competitions from which they were banned three years ago, fullowing the disaster at the Heysel Stadium in Brussels.

However, this desire to see English clabs playing regularly in Europe is partly for financial reasons, since they are a big attraction, and partly because the competitions have been devalued in recent seasons. Although UEFA is confirming these findings in a separate review, the executive committee is understandably reluctors to is understandably reluctant to readmit the English clobs unless they think that any violence can

In Britain, masterly organiza-tion by the police has curbed the problem. But European forces are not used to coping with violent behaviour of a large number of foreign supporters.

Although many countries, particularly Holland and Italy, have their own domestic problems, Britain is the one country which has recently exported

The events of recent years, climaxing with the 1985 European Cap final, when 39 people died after Liverpool followers rioted, have brought far greater co-operation between police forces of different countries and there is no doubt that the Continent is now better Continent is now better equipped to handle English supporters.

### Butcher is on the road

to recovery Terry Batcher, the Eagland defender, bopes to be able to

the end of the mouth. The Rangers defender, recovering from a broken leg sas-tained against Aberdeen in November, took part in a trainof Victoria. Britaio beat Australia 5-0 in ng match last week after several

visita to the Lilleshall rehabilitation centre. Butcher will visit a specialist on Monday. Bobby Robson, the England manager, is still hoping Butcher will prove his match fitness in time to be included in the squad

for the European championship finals in West Germany in June.

### Britons hone their skills for final

By a Special Correspondent, Gothenburg

staged on the opening day of the Gothenburg Scandioavium Horse Show.

While some took an early opportunity to trial their mouots which are qualified for the World Cup, Liz Edgar, Joe Turi and Janet Huoter decided to ride their second strings.

The best performance came from Michael Whitaker, riding Next Tees Hanauer, one of two horses which he has available for tonight's major class. Their clear round in the jump-off was fast enough to place them equal

team and individual gold med-als at last year's Pan American Games, and a favourite for Gothenburg with his horse, Big Ben. His mount in this opening

class, Future Shock, is not one of Millar's qualified horses.

Malcolm Pyrah, who was Seeker, was planning to start his top horse, Towerlands Anglezarke, in the second of the two evening classes. Aged 17, the horse is being campaigned these days with great care, both in deference to his advancing possible Olympic selection.

Though the old horse has not done a great deal so far this year, his rider is a past master at producing animals at peak form when it matters and he is sure to have Anglezarke well prepared for this 10th World Cup final.

Next Milton, Britain's best chance for bonours, had a fence down in the opening class, after which John Whitaker gave him a slow, schooling round.

RESULTS: First warm-up competition: 1, Future Shock (1 Milier, Can) no faults, 25.82sec; 2, Winzer (H Smon, Austria) no faults, 27.41; 3, Łady Crew (G Nuis, It) no faults, 27.55,

### TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Cannons club Welling v Fisher .... InterCity will switch their £25,000 sponsorship of the Cannons club national league championship-wioning squad to CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division (7.9): Blackpool v Sunderland; Grimsby v Man-chester United; Leicester v Manchester City; Liverpool v Sheffield United. concentrate on the naoonal championship and national challenge for grassroots players (Cotin McQuillan writes).

"Our sponsorship of Cannons was a tactical opportunity producing two highly successful years," Mike Lancaster, Inter-City's marketing director, said yesterday. "We joined them as champions and we leave them This loss of £25,000 is the

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Wesignte Insurance Cup: Semi-final, second leg (first leg score in brackets): Brottsgrove (3) v Gloucester (1). second sponsorship blow to the Londoo cluh in a fortnight. Last week the Cannons club inter-NORTHERN COUNTIES FLOODLIT national grand prix was cancelled at the eleventh hour when no sponsor was found and only **RUGBY UNION** one of the world's top four

**RUGBY LEAGUE** STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Sec-ond division: Devisibury v Runcom (6.15).

BOWLS: Indoor county matches: Essax v Bedfordshire (at Towerlands): Oxford-shire v London and Southern Counties (at Chestum).

Cheshum).
CURLING: Glayva Women's world champinship (at Summit Centre, Glasgow).
GOLF: Halford Hewitt (at Sandwich and
Deal); Scottsh boys' champonship (at
Dunber). SPEEDWAY: Match et Middlesbrough.

TENNIS: Cumberland club tournament (at West Hampstead): Pruderital junior championships (at Bournemouth). SPORT ON TV

SMOKER: BBCT 10 p.m.: Stephen Hendry: Profile of the player. 100 GREAT SPORTING MOMENTS: BBC2 2 p.m.: Sebastan Cop and Steve Ovett make three attempts on the world rails record in August 1981.

CRICKET

### Pakistan close to historic victory

From Richard Streeton, Georgetown, Guyana

Pakistan tightened their hold on the first Cable and Wireless Test against the spinners, but after the fourth-wicket stand had put match with relentless purpose as the fourth day unfolded yes-terday. Carl Hooper and Jeff Dujon shared a dour sixthon 65 to even time, he sparred at Imran outside the off stump and Yousuf took a good rightwicket stand and took the West lodies past 143, meaning an innings defeat had been averted. handed catch tumbling sideways. but it seemed it would be only a matter of time before they went

Five minutes before lunch Greenidge went to drive Imran and played the ball oom his leg



Qadir: early breakthrough stump. Greenidge had hit a six and six fours and looked bitterly disappointed at the manner of his dismissal. Dujon came in next, though he had two chipped fingers oo his left hand strapped and took his hand off his bat as be played the ball. Immediately after tunch Dujon was dropped by Imran from a simple return catch before a ruo had been

Second Innings
O L Haynes b lyaz Fagih
P V Sminons b Cadir
R 8 Richardson c Yousuf b Cadir
"C G Greenidge b Imran
A L Loge c Yousuf b Imran
C L Hooper not out
[P J L Dugon not out
Extras (b 3, b 8, nb 4)......

otel (5 witts) 120 W K M Benjamin, C A Walsh, E L C Walsh end a P Patterson to bat. BOWLING: Imran 9-0-26-2: Wassim 6-1-7-Cijaz Faqih 13-3-33-1: Oodir 16-4-43-1. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-34, 3-44, 4-109, 5-120.

PAKISTAN: First Innings 435 (Javed Miandad 114, Saleem Yousuf 52). Umpires: 11 M Archer and L H Barker.

innings with successive deliveries oo his way to a return of

Although the tour has been arduous, the Sri Lankan bowlers

were well supported in the field, with Tilekaratna taking two

splendid catches, successfully holding onto a huge skier from

SCORES: Zimbabwe, First Innings, 231 (K Arnott 64, O Houghton 40, P Rawson 34, R Wijesunya 4 for 83, N Ramayuke 3 for 44).

CURLING

towards the

lower echelon

places in the play-offs

tomorrow(a Special Correspondent writes). Canada, the favourites, and Switzerland were tied with five wins after

eight rounds and were challeng-ing for the remaining semi-final place.

The Scottish team, led by

Christine Allisoo, were beaten again, this time by the Swiss.

and now look to be heading into

the group B nations, who must

play pre-qualification rounds for next year's world event io

In an unhappy day for the Scottish team. Sbeena Drummie, the lead player, had to retire at the third end with a

Milwaukee.

The scoring rate dropped when Imran replaced Faqth at 92 for three, and the West Indies went on to reach 100 in the 32nd

down to their first home defeat

By lunch, the West Indies had

already lost half of their second-

innings wickers and still needed

23 runs to make Pakistan bat

again. Another small crowd, estimated at 3,000, soon knew

that the West Indies, who resumed at 25 for one, were going to be unlikely to offer any

Qadir dismissed Simmons and Richardson in his second and fourth overs, and Imran followed with the wickets of

Logic and Greenidge. The ball was turning though only slowly, but the pitch had still not deteriorated badly. Imran main-

despite coosiderable dis-comfort, as the infectioo in his

foot had spread and he was taking antibiotics and pain-killers for swollen glands.

He would, of course, have played on crutches in the

circumstances, but was especially needed as Wasim Akram was off the field with a

strained right thigh, a new iojury

Richardsoo cut Qadir for two fours in the day's opening over before Simmons was dismissed, and Greenidge, too, oever hesitated to attack both Qadir and Faqih, the off-spinner, though it was controlled hitting for the most part. He went on one knee

to sweep Faqih for six, but it seemed to be chancing bis arm a

little when he played a reverse

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tained good line and

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for 10 years.

Bowlers call the tune proved himself the most successful bowler, finishing the

Total (5 wkts)

Harare (AP) - Zimbabwe were bowled out for 231 oo a slow and unresponsive pitch on the opening day of their three-day match with the Sri Lanka B touring team here yesterday. Although Kevin Arnott re-turned to form with 64 and David Houghton, the most reli-

able of the home batsmen, scored 40, most of their colleagues struggled to make headway. Rajiv Wijesiruya ooce again

**REAL TENNIS** 

#### Triumph for Scotland head Britain in **Bathurst Cup** Norway, West Germany and Sweden headed the rankings at the Glayva world women's curl-ing championship in Glassow

Britain retained the Bathurst Cup hy defeating Australia 3-2 in Ballarat, Australia, last week-end (William Stephens writes). This international amateur team event, oow contested annually, was played in a court constructed in 1984 in the State

Paris last year, and their record now stands at 30 victories since the competition was inaugu-rated by Lilias, Countess Bathurst, in 1922. The United States have woo five times and Australia once: France still await their first wio. The French did not enter the event this year so Australia met the United States in the elimination round and beat them 5-0.

Britain defended the Cup with Julian Snow and Ivan Snell playing singles and Snow parinered Michael McMurrugh io the doubles.

RESULTS: Australia 2, Britain 3 (British names first): I Snell lost to P Meares, 3-5, 2-6, 2-6; J Snow bt M Happell, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4, Snow and McMuruph bt E Cockram and Happell, 6-5, 6-2, 6-1; Snell lost to Happell, 1-6, 3-6, 1-6; Snow bt Meares, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.

to retire at the third end with a groin strain, ber place being taken by Jane Gallagher.
RESULTS: Norway 10, West Germany 4: Sweden 7: Finland 0: Switzerland 8. Scotland 7: United States 6, Denmark 5: Canada 9: France 4. Pesitions after sight rounds: oqual 1. Norway, West Germany and Sweden, 6 wins: equal 4, Canada and Switzerland, 5: equal 6, Denmark and United States, 4; equal 6, France and Scotland, 2: 10. Finland, 0. **SQUASH RACKETS** 

### Welsh hopes dashed

Edinburgh Sports Club ended yesterday when they went down 3-0 in West Germany. The Germans kept their hopes of a place in the top eight alive when their No. 1, Jens Fuhrmann, secured the tie with a 9-7, 9-7, 0-9 win over Alex Gough. Ireland had a convincing 3-0

Wales's hopes of qualifying for the quarter-finals of the World junior team championships at Edinburgh Sports Club ended win over Norway, with Derek Ryan the only Irishman to drop a game on the way to a 0-9, 9-5.

9-2, 10-8 WIII
RESULTS: Pool A: Finland 3, Guyana 0.
Pool B: Ireland 3, Norway 0 (Insh names first): G Stewart bt 0 Stronen, 9-3, 9-5, 9-2: II Rivan bt S Orgersen 0-9, 9-6, 9-2: 10-8; C Collins bt K Lovig, 9-5, 9-6, 9-1; Canada 3, United States 0. Pool C: West Germany 3, Wales 0 (German names first): J Fuhrmann bt A Gough, 9-7, 9-7, 10-9: 0 Rucks bt G Davies, 4-9, 9-1, 9-5, 9-3; S

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Anchorage, Alaska (AP) - City

o Coventry City won £3,000 for topping the Barclays League goal-scoring award − 11 in five games − for March, Swindoo, Wigan and Wrexham collected the second, third and fourth division prizes respectively. • Sunderland, the third di-vision leaders, have released David Buchanan, their leading scorer last season. brough, will miss Saturday's Mike Brown signed a new match against Manchester City two-year contract with two-year contract with

• Chelsea have cancelled the contract of Jerry Murphy, the

midfield player, by mutual

Festival at Wembley.

April 27 sbould not present any selection problems, as it is a designated international week. SOUAD: P Sacting (Crystal Paleos), F Digby (Swindon Town), S Parkin (Stoke City), A Donjon (Chelsea), C Cooper (Addilesbrough), M Keown (Aston Villa), A Thom (Wimbledon), 2 Redmend (Manchester City), A Gray (Aston Villa), P Lake (Manchester City), D White (Manchester City), D White (Manchester City), D White (Manchester City), D Lowe (Ipswich Town), S Sellars (Blackburn Rovers).

Clubs are unable to arrange fixtures for April 16, because of the Mercantile Credit Centenary The return leg at Highbury on April 27 should not present any

tell the difference with him." In fact, the damage to Sealey's cern than the hlow oo the head. The lighter moments have been few and far between recently, as Harford has tried to ensure that the joy of three, if not four, Wemhley appearances in one season does not end in tears. He and the players have been having a few heart-to-hearts, the result of which we when Luton come head to bead with Wimbledon in a FA Cup

semi-final which affords the Bedfordshire cluh yet another chance to eradicate from the memory the borrors from their first trip to Wembley in 29

out as far as I'm concerned. It's too easy." He warned the players that if they wanted a rest, he would rest them for the semifinal "It makes no difference to me. The League is what I'm interested in and improving on last seasoo's record of seventh

Luton could do with some of

# **EQUESTRIANISM**

The seven British show jumpers who compete in the first leg of the Volvo World Cup final this evening, rounded off their preparations yesterday in the first of three minor classes

had a testing first set against.

David Bell, the Ely teenager who won the under-16 national out-door title last year. Bell took a 7-2 lead over the first six ends of the first set but Thomson then mastered the opponent only three more shots. RESULTS: Second round: A Allocok. (Cotswold) bt 0 Cornwell (Ely), 9-3, 9-8; 11 Bryant (Clawodon) bt A Blair (Ely), 9-6, 9-8; 10 W Richards (Cambridge Park, Twick-enham) bt J Evans (Torbay), 9-5, 9-4; A Thomson (Cophers, Beckenham) bt 0 Bell (Ely), 9-8, 9-2; S Palmer (Ely) bt S Frankin (Wisbach), 9-8, 9-3; J Rednall (Ipswich) bt G Harlow (Ely), 7-9, 9-2, 9-8; R Hart (Essex County) bt I Marshall (Hartlepool), 6-9, 9-5, 9-7; K Kino, (Ely) bt G Coles (Falcon.)

The class was won by lan Millar, of Canada, the winner of

FOOTBALL **GM Vauxhall Conference** SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Bangor v Carnol; Crusaders v Distillery.

SUNDAY MERROR COMBINATION: Bris-tol Rovers v Charlton; Portsmouth v Arsenal (7.0). VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE Premier &-VALIXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premise di-vision: Leyton-Wingste v Basingstoke; Windsor and Eton v Tooting and Mitcham. First division toxford City v Wembley-Second division north: Hernel Hempstead v Latchworth GC; Wivenhoe v Witham. Second division south: Eastbourne Unded v Moseley; Whyteleafe v Hunger-lord (7-45).

CLUB MATCH: Ebbw Vale v Abertiliory (7.0).

OTHER SPORT

SOUASH RACKETS: World junior champ-ionships (at Edinburgh). SWIMMENG: Edinburgh Spring meeting.

NOTORCYCLING: 88C1 3.25 p.m.: Kick start: Pro-am trials competition from Lord Hesisett's estate in Northamptonshire. RACING: 88C2 2.15 p.m.: 2.35, 3.10, 3.45 and 4.20 moes from Aintree.

# FA Cup occasion still looking to find its audience

By Dennis Signy and Chris Moore

The weighty task of restoring Wimhledon's walking wounded to fitness, in time for the FA Cup semi-final against Luton Town at White Hart Lane on Saturday, has fallen nn the shnulders of Steve Alien, at the age of 21, the youngest physiotherapist in the Football League.

Allen, who played for Col-chester United, qualified as a physiotherapist when a knee injury ended his playing career. He took over at Plough Lane this season, fortunately applying for a job at the same time as Derek French moved with Dave Bassett to Watford.

He was kept as busy yes-terday issuing bulletins on Fashanu and Cunningham (hamstrings), Gibson (liga-ment strain) and Cork and Sanchez (leg injuries).



figure in Wimbledon's plans for the biggest game in their history, with 20 goals to his credit this season. As a precaucredit this season. As a precau-tion, in case he is not fit, Bobby Gould, the manager, has added Swindlehurst, the former Crystal Palace, Derby County, West Ham and Sunderland forward, to his squad. Swindlehurst, aged 32, signed as a non-contract player just before the transfer deadline last month, after playing in Cyprus.

Allen's assessment, as he closed his treatment room last night, was that Cunningham, the former England winger, was the higgest doubt, Fashanu and Gibson had 50-50 chances of playing and

### Graham to answer disrepute charge

George Graham, the Arsenal manager, has been charged with bringing the game into disrepute, only three weeks before Arsenal's Littlewoods Cup final against Luton Town

Graham was booked by the referee, Kelvin Morton, near the end of last week's goalless draw at Oxford United, following an incident involving a linesman. There were sugges-tions of mistaken identity, but the Football Association today decided there was a case to answer and have given Graham 14 days to request a personal hearing.

The outcome should not prevent Graham from leading his side out against Laton, or sitting on the bench at Wembley. But a fine may be imposed on Graham, who was warned as to his future conduct following comments made to a referee two years ago when he was in charge at Miliwall. Les Mackay, the chairman of the Football Association disciplinary committee, has requested letters of explana-

tion from Kenny Dalglish and Alex Ferguson following the public confrontation between the respective managers of Liverpool and Manchester United after their 3-3 draw at Anfield on Easter Monday

(Steve Acteson writes). Mackay, the FA Council representative for London, is also seeking a transcript of an interview that Ferguson was giving the Manchester station, Piccadilly Radio, when the dispute between the two Scots

The FA's action was last night supported by the Foot-ball League Executive Staffs Association (FLESA), the union for managers and

Following the sending-off of United's midfield player, Colin Gibson, after 58 minutes by the referee, John Key, for a second bookable offence, and despite the fact that the United then fought back to earn a draw, Ferguson was reported to claim that referees become intimidated by the

to be fit.
Ray Harford, the Luton
Town manager, also faces an
auxious wait before knowing whether Sealey, his goal-keeper, and McDonough, a midfield player, will be fit. Sealey was released from hos-

pital yesterday after being detained overnight with con-cussion, following the draw against Sheffield Wednesday at Kenilworth Road. Harford, who will delay a decision on Sealey until later in the week rates McDonagh "doubtful."

Public response to the match remains lukewarm and Chris Belt, the Tottenham Hotspur box office manager, last night reported sales of just over 21,000. "I think 30,000 would be a good crowd at this stage," he added. This would be the lowest crowd for a semi-

he in living memory.

Brian Clongh played down concern over the form of his England midfield player, Neil Webb, before the semi-final against Liverpool. Webb has recently been struggling to recently been struggling to keep on top of his game, although be scored a vital goal in the League wio over Liver-pool last Saturday.

Clough said: "We wouldn't be so high in the League or looking forward to Saturday's semi-final, if it weren't for his efforts. He's a bit worried in case he misses out on the European championship this summer. But I don't think he need have any fear about his place in the England squad. His contribution to our side has been as significant as ever, and I am sure that Bobby Robsoo realises that as much as anyone else."

Forest expect to be at fullstrength with Walker returning in defence, after missing his first match of the seasoo at Portsmouth on Monday. The England under-21 international has an ankle injury which is responding to treatment. "It's progressed nicely this week and a couple more days should see me fully recovered," said Walker. "I would have liked to have gooe through the seasoo as an everpresent in the Forest side. But if I had to miss a game I would much rather it be against



Forward delivery: Fashanu who believes that his duty to Wimbledon's spectators is an appearance at White Hart Lane

### Fashanu will be pitching in

By Mick Cleary

The world and his wife were hammering on John Fashanu's door yesterday desperate to know if the Wimbledon forward's hamstring was on the mend.

As the rags to riches story moved towards its possible happy ever after denouement that is this Saturday's FA Cup semi-final with Luton, the last thing the South London club wanted was for their £1 million-rated trump card to limp off just four minutes into Tuesday night's League match with Coventry.

Fashanu's 20 goals this season, including the winner against Watford in the quarter-final, have helped extend the Wimbledon honeymoon from non-League football 11 years ago to the threshhold of Wembley.

While his manager, Bobby Gould, fretted amd groaned - "I ask all spiritual healers to pray for us" - Fashanu himself unconcerned by the ballyhoo.

"It makes for good headlines," he said. "The papers are preaching doom and gloom because it suits them while I will be trotting round the local park. I will leave the medical prognosis to the physiotherapists. I have only missed two games all year through injury. I think my body is on my side."

On the field, he is a no-holds barred type of player. Awkward, angular, disruptive, his presence creates those kinds of fractious aituations which angels long ago declared as oo go areas.

Off the field, he is as mild-mannered and urbane a character as you could wish to meet. "I believe in good manners and I have the greatest respect for the law in all walks of life. People look astonished when I open the door for them or acknowledge their consideration in traffic. On the field I think I have a great rapport with referees, and what they say most definitely goes."

The reality is a far cry from the rough 'Fash the Bash' image, a nickname which was bestowed oo him with affectionate intent at Millwall hut has since become a somewhat derogatory reference.

He will not disown his style of play enthusiastic rather than aggressive - which has been the bane of most first divisioo defences.

.To have twice been your club's leading goalscorer, there must also be a smatter-ing of subtlety and technique, and he hopes one day for an England cap.

"That would be a marvellous accolade to prove you are best in your particular activity. I would also like one day to play for the higgest cluh in the world, be it Liverpool, Ajax or Barcelona, because success is so important to me."

Ambition does not just drive him on the football field. He has a sharp business sense which is bent oo developing his company, Fash Enterprises. He is about to front a late-night television show, is lined up for a series of commercials and has just bought a hotel in Norwich which

support as they prepare for the to cut its outgoings.

Divindic Games in Scoul th

September. The "league table"

used for the past two years to

determine payments to ath-

letes for appearing at certain

domestic meetings is to be

scrapped, which means that track athletes who are oot in

the very top bracket and field

eventers could all be hard hit.

Last year, around £850,000

was paid to British and over-

seas athletes who appeared at

prestige meetings here, the cash being based on their credentials. Some 150 men

and women received various sums, from £15,000 to £500.

The total could be cut by 50

Ottawa (Renter) - The ideal of a drug-free Olympic com-

petidon is no longer possible, according to the chief phy-sician for Canada's Summer

Dr William Stanish, an

orthopaedie surgeon, said

ahuse of performance-enhanc-

ing drugs by amateur athletes, including 14- and 15-year-

olds, has reached epidemic

Olympic teams.

proportions.

Appearance fees to be cut

"A reduction was essential

in view of recent revelations

about the Board being virtu-

ally bankrupt. There is no bottomless pot of gold," Ian Hodge, a BAAB spokesman,

"Before the league table

system was introduced in 1986, top athletes were able to attract guarantees individually from people staging meetings in Britain, and the less well-known athletes

didn't fare so well. Once the

criteria for the new system are

worked out, this may well

happen again," he added. "The total money available in

**Drug-free Olympics impossible** 

roids and other performance-

enhancing drugs among young

athletes and even among Can-ada's world-class athletes,"

"I think we have to look at

the traditional Olympic char-ter and understand that to

have a clean Olympics is no

longer possible. Anything

ostensihly reported to make somebody bigger, faster,

Stanish said.

overlooks Carrow Road, a neat irony as the club once had little faith in his future.

"I am a workaholic. I am up to two or three every night doing deals or thinking up new ideas and then back at it hy 7.30 the next morning. People think it must have an adverse effect on my performance but if anything it is the opposite. Were I told to concentrate solely on football, I would not be the same player."

For all his yearning for a hefty bank balance, he will not forsake basic principles and a commendation from the United Nations Committee against Apartheid takes pride of place on his office wall given in recognition of his turning down £350,000 to play in South

He has conetheless reaped the reward of his industry both on and off the field. 'Not bad for a kid from Dr Barnardo's,' he said with a grin. "Nobody should get the wroog idea though. Because first and foremost I am a footballer and of course beating Luton on Sanurday and going on for a winners medal at Wembley is enormously important to me. The club is also very dear to my heart.

"You know we are the only first division club with an open players and spectators bar. You never forget the duty. you owe the ordinary spectator."

That bar could be a heady, heaving place over the next few weeks if Fashanu manages to get off the physiotherapist couch and help his side to Wembley.

perhaps as few as 40 athletes

John Lister, the BAAB trea-

surer, will now have a major say in where the money goes.

Athletes will be told what the

Board thinks their appearance

at any meeting is worth — if anything — and will have to take it or look elsewhere.

The move is unlikely to

effect Britain's main medal hopes for Seoul, but it will

hamper the work which could

help an outsider fill an un-

expected place in a final. And

athletes may now find it more.

profitable to use overseas

meetings as part of their

Stanish was reluctant to name any of Canada's top

athletes but admitted some of

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them have do use steroids.

International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the Canadian Olympic Association ban the use of high-performance drugs but these agencies must put mechanisms in place 10 been page 11th the

preparations for Scoul

### END COLUMN County game in good hands

By Ivo Tennant

bury, it is not easy to picture the good name of cricket being besmirched abroad.

Yesterday was the excep-tion, as players committee men and assorted hangers on renewed acquaintances offer the winter. Those in the departure lounge of life were pleased to find that, like the old tree, they had weathered the hurricane and were still alive. Some felt it was more than could be said for their favourite game.

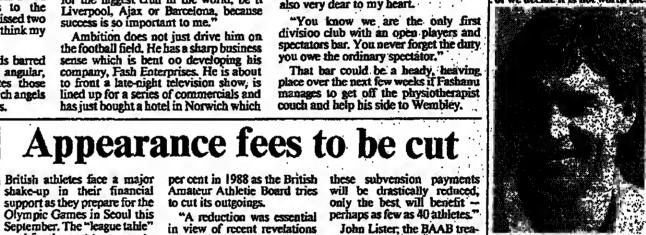
and not all of it concerned the parachial issue of Kent's presects for the coming se

Most speeches and conversations referred to the problems emanating from Eagland's winter: from the chairman and captain downwards there were matterings that dissent would not be tolerated. that pressure on unplies was becoming intolerable and that neither would afflict the Garden of England.

The Kent players to whom The Times spoke at their photo-call yesterday were unanimous that dissent, had behaviour and rows with unpires would not spill over into county cricket.

"The troubles this winter came about through cricketers having to play for their Test places," Christopher places," Christopher Cowdrey, the Kent captain, said. "Obviously there have been bad suspiring decisions, but then I get four or five bad. decisions each summer. We do not complain at county level because we are playing continuously. At Test level there are television replays and time in which to examine

"I think England have three choices over what to do in-future. Either we accept had decisions and continue touring or we decide it is not worth the



Cowdrey: keeping faith trouble and do not go. The third alternative is to have neutral umpires. I feel a neutral panel of Test umpires should be introduced since there will be no complaint if an England batsman is given out by an Australian umpire in

"It was very disappointing watching it all from a distance. As to fines, I\_think a list should be drawn up of what behaviour is not acceptable and which offences will lead to fines. But I do not envisage any problems in county cricket," he said.

Chris Tavare, the former England batsman, agreed that neutral umpires should be introduced. "In football, a home referee does not officiate over the home side. There is an awful lot of pressure on mupires in Tests and even the good ones make mistakes. We must help other countries to produce decent ampires.

"Yet abusing mapires is still a very rare occurrence. I find what goes on in termis now is unbelievable. Players do not abuse unpires in county cricket because if they do, they come up against disciplinary committees. There is bound to be the odd flare-up because the stakes are so high, but cricket is in good order. People were

leoking to run it down because Rugland were not winning."
Richard Ellison, looking fit and well after missing all of last season through injury, said he could foresee no dissent in Test or county-cricket this summer unfers now.

umpires are given more powers, which could lead to incidents being blown out of "I do not think neutral

"I do not think neutral umpires are necessary, but the standard of umpiring generally needs improving. Those abroad are aware they make mistakes. Yet I can see fines becoming mare severe, be said. "Everyone makes mistakes, including umpires. In the heat of the moment it is easy for dissent to occur, although you must not condone it," Ellison said.

Lord Harris, perhaps the biggest figure in Kent's his-tory, once said of cricket: You do well to love it, for it is more free from anything sordidanything dishonourable, than any game in the world. Or is it?

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is convinced that Sandy Lyie can create another piece of history by becoming the first British winner of the US Sunday. Sandy will be spurred on by that win, not by the Masters, which starts on the common belief that golfers Augusta National course here don't often win two weeks in

today.

Jacklin, who will be commentating here for the BBC, "I've never seen Sandy so relaxed, and I know he has the said: "I'm certain Sandy has right blinkered approach for Augusta. I think all the Euroall the right credentials to win this title, and I'd love to see peans will play well, and Seve him take it on Sunday night by Ballesteros is always my

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'THEY SAVED US

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Tony Jacklin, Europe's most "I don't go along with the favourite, but I especially successful Ryder Cup captain, belief that he has made it hope to see Ian Woosnam harder for himself by winning have a successful week. the Greensboro Open last "It has not been easy for

him going through a change of clubs. It is something which, qoite honestly, he might have been wiser oot to do. I remember changing to another make of ball in the early 1970s and I still regret

> Paul Mayo, the Welshman who won the British amateur championship last year, will have illustrious company when he makes his debut at Augusta. Mayo has been paired with Jack Nicklaus, a six-time winner of the event. Lyle and Woosnam, who grew up together playing county golf for Shropshire, had taken on Greg Norman and Ballesteros in a fourball which was watched by one of the largest practice day crowds in the history of the

"We lost the money," Lyle said. "But I was happy with my game, Ian was round in 68, and Greg had a 67. The proudest moment of my career came when I won the Open io 1985, and it will always remain so, but I would love for nothing more than on Sunday night to be wearing the winner's green jacket."

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### Britain is forced

Peter de Savary's British challenge for the America's Cup was blocked yesterday in the New York State Supreme

The court ruled that the San Diego Yacht Club entry and Michael Fay's New Zealand boat must race against each other since they could not agree on terms to allow other

The decision eliminated de Savary's challenge. He had asked the court to halt the race unless it was allowed to

The judge said the Deed of Gift, the trust document which established rules for the race 140 years ago, must be inter-preted literally if a valid challenger and the champion could not agree on competition terms. This means the Mer-cury Bay Boating Club of New Zealand, as the first valid challenger, may veto the entry of any other challenger, she

The America's Cup is in confusion. New Zealand has built a 123-foot monohuli, and San Diego has replied with a smaller but faster multi-hull. The series is due to start in San Diego on September 19, hut there are moves to switch it to next year.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Garry Scholield, the Leeds

centre, is the only Great Britain player named in the Adidas world rogby league writers' team, but it includes

the Australians, Garry Jack, the Salford full back, and Dale Shearer, the Widnes wing.

Oxford University women's

Oxford tour

"We have solid information showing that the use of drugs to enhance performance is

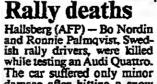
### **President** to inspect

Seoul (AP) — Juan Antonio Samaranch, the president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) will receive briefings on preparadons for the Games and inspect the athletes' village, now in its final stage of completion, from May 30. **Lone Briton** Samaranch will also attend

the June 3 opening of the international diving and synchronized swimming com-petitions, at the new pool. Prizes raised

Prize money for the Trust-house Forte PGA seniors' golf championship at North Ber-wick from June 23 to 26 has been raised by 25 per cent to £40,000 with the champion receiving £7,500.

lacrosse team, captained by Emily Formby, fly in Boston today for their first tour abroad. They play Harvard oo Saturday, while England will face the United States in the Elliott race Peter Elliott, Britain's world athletics championship silver medal winner in Rome, will race in the Giro Bank Games in Belfast on June 27. first of three representative



damage after hitting a snow bank but the drivers were not wearing seat belts. Kept apart

**Boston entries** Boston (AP) - Abebe Mekon-nen, the Tnkyo marathon champion, will lead the Ethiopian runners in the Boston

In the basket Ghent (Reuter) - Argentina will hold the 1990 world basketball championship after

supplying the sport's govern-ing body with \$3.3 million (about £1,760,000).

Gabriela Sabatini won the has swopped coaches with Argentinian top-spin contest Miss McNeil, working with against Patricia Tarabini, tak-

Laws which allow girls to play in boys' rugby union, cricket and football teams have been

scrapped by the New South Wales government after Nick Greiner, the new premier, described them as "anti-discrimination gone mad".

marathon on April 18

son of late. She has been signed by a management company and is having to satisfy their demands, she has been separated in doubles from her best friend, Lori McNeil, and

### Top spin lifts Sabatini to one-sided victory

stronger — a good number of place to keep pace with the people will go to these agents abuse, he said.

really an epidemic. There is readily without getting medi-rampant use of anabolic ste-cal information," he said.

From Barry Wood, Hilton Head, South Carolina

ing less than an hour to win 6-I, 6-2 and reach the third round of the Family Circle Magazine Cup in Hilton Head

In view of Miss Tarabini's success last week, when she reached the semi-finals, a less nne-sided confrontation may have been expected, but Miss Sabatini's strength and a frequent use of the drop shot ensured that her opponent could never settle into the

Zina Garrison produced a welcome victory over Austria's Petra Huber, winning 6-4, 7-5. Several changes have taken their toll on Miss GarriUnexpected losses to Elna

Reinach and Halle Cioffe recently have done little for Miss Garrison's confidence. hut she is certain the changes will eventually bear fruit. "The biggest change I'm baving to deal with is in working strategy for myself.

I'm not used to that, because John used to do that before the match, but in crucial situa-dons you've got to be able to work things out for yourself,"

"I'm also trying to step into the ball more, and to put some more top spin nn my fore-hand. It may not all work now, but I'm a fighter and will always come out on top."

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